




MILFORD
NEW HAMPSHIRE

Annual Report 1955



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. . . of TOWN Business

for year ending December 31, 1955

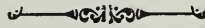
and

. . . of SCHOOLS

for year ending June 30, 1955

Town of Milford

NEW HAMPSHIRE



OUR COVER

An important addition to the town is the new school building pictured on the cover of this report. It is named the First Lieutenant Leon J. Jacques, Jr. Memorial School, and now houses grades four through eight. Besides classroom use, it has a highly useful "multi-purpose" room where hundreds of youngsters eat their noon meal, where plays and basketball games and meetings and assemblies take place. The school is being used, increasingly, for town activities, thus broadening its value to the town.

The children entering the south door in the picture are passing near the bronze plaque, given the school by the Ricciardi-Hartshorn Post, American Legion, and the Harley-Sanford Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars. It is a memorial to Lieutenant Jacques, a West Point graduate who died in the defense of freedom with the Army in Korea.

—Photo by Ralph W. Clarke

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Town Officers

Selectmen

A. Wallace Wilkins	Term Expires 1956
Charles P. Hayward	Term Expires 1957
Ernest J. Durant	Term Expires 1958

Superintendent of Public Works

Frank Reid, Jr.

Moderator

Rodney C. Woodman

Town Treasurer

Hugo E. Trentini

Tax Collector

Donald C. Bruce

Checklist Supervisors

William A. Medlyn

Mario D. Bianchi

J. Harold O'Neil

Auditors

Paul C. Rizzi

Leonard S. Lorden

Chief of Police

Oliver G. Williamson

Town Clerk

Donald C. Bruce

Water Advisory Board

William A. Whipple	Term Expires 1956
Owen P. Fisk	Term Expires 1957
Kenneth C. Langdell	Term Expires 1958

Firewards

Paul N. Hutchinson	Term Expires 1956
Raymond A. Dyer	Term Expires 1957
Edgar A. Norwood	Term Expires 1958

Trustees of Trust Funds

Benjamin F. Prescott	Term Expires 1956
Hugo E. Trentini	Term Expires 1957
Archibald A. Murray	Term Expires 1958

Cemetery Advisory Board

Philip N. Brown	Term Expires 1956
J. Ernest Medlyn	Term Expires 1957
Rodney C. Woodman	Term Expires 1958

Planning Board

Ernest J. Durant	Selectman
Lawrence E. Billings	Term Expires 1956
Joseph M. Silva	Term Expires 1956
Francis J. Lorden	Term Expires 1957
Paul C. Rizzi	Term Expires 1958

Meat Inspector

Dr. Walter B. Loring

Health Officer

Oscar Burns, M. D.

Trustees of Wadleigh Memorial Library

Muriel B. Young	Term Expires 1956
Benjamin F. Prescott	Term Expires 1957
William B. Rotch	Term Expires 1958

Budget Committee

Edward P. Hallet, Chairman	William Crabtree
Harold Remick	Eben Hutton
Robert Campbell	Harry K. Draper
Donald M. Brown	Bartolo Prestipino
L. Paul Ecklund	Owen Fisk
Carl Holland	Salvatore Grasso
Roy Boulter	Robert C. Holcombe
George Nelson	

Selectmen's Report

During the past few years it has been our purpose to bring before you in this space certain things that might have been omitted from the reports of the heads of other departments of the town. This year there appears to be very little which will not be well covered by other agencies.

Perhaps we should bring to your attention the fact that Nashua Street has been rebuilt by our own help rather than by letting the job out in its entirety. This is something that cannot always be done and has resulted in a considerable item of payroll staying here in Milford.

We realized this necessitated postponement of the work planned on a few of our town streets, but we feel sure the town will sanction this move.

There is just one other item that we think we should mention, namely the water question. Everyone knows that during the past summer we employed the firm of Whitman & Howard to make an analysis and survey of our present water supply and distribution system. We feel that they have covered the subject very thoroughly and have given us a very thorough report of their findings. This report has been published in full in the local paper and has been well read by everyone. The thing we wish to emphasize is the fact that our present system is inadequate and with the increasing growth of our town it becomes more so. Whitman & Howard suggest possible solution to remedying our shortage of water, but they make no specific recommendation for adoption. Neither do we. We hope you will all give proper study to their report and come to town meeting prepared to make some decision as to what is best to do. This decision will be very important, and will affect the town for years to come. Please plan to come.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN.

WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Milford in the County of Hillsborough in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Milford on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

(Polls not to close before 8 P. M.)

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing, and to choose three delegates to the Constitutional Convention.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

3. To act upon the reports of all Town Officers, Agents and Committees and raise and appropriate money relative thereto.

4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes, if necessary, as provided by law of 1907.

5. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be used with income, if any, for the election and registration expenses, municipal court expenses, Public Works Administration, town hall and other buildings expenses, town officers' expense, town officers' salaries, civil defense, fire department, hydrant rental, police department, garbage collection, health department, sewer maintenance, town dump, vital statistics, highway maintenance, oiling, snow removal, street lighting, town road aid, Wadleigh Memorial Library, old age assistance, town poor, Memorial Day, parks and playgrounds, swimming pool, cemeteries, information booth, damages and legal expense, employees' retirement, employees' social security, insurance, police pension, tax map revision, interest on long term notes, interest on temporary loans, sewer correction, sidewalk construction, long term notes and county taxes.

6. Shall the Provision of Chapter 171-A of the Revised Laws relative to playing games of Beano be adopted in the Town.

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the Community House.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$126.60 to pay the premium on fire insurance policies

written on the Community House coming up for renewal on March 29, 1956, for three years.

9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend the sum of \$1630.00 from the Parking Meter Fund for Apportionment B, TRA work on Nashua Street.

10. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend the sum of \$10,000.00 from the Parking Meter Fund for the reconstruction of Union Street from the railroad tracks southerly to Merrill's Court.

11. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend the sum of \$1100.00 from the Parking Meter Fund for the grading and surfacing of the parking lot on School Street.

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$640.00 (this sum to be matched by Federal Funds), to provide two (2) two-way Radios for Civil Defense and Emergency purposes, and to be placed in the Department of Public Works trucks.

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$850.00 for the purpose of replacing the present Police Cruiser.

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to extend the existing Sanitary Sewer on Webster Street, southerly a distance of 75 feet. (By Petition)

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$420,000.00 for the purpose of constructing a water supply reservoir, distribution mains, necessary buildings, land damage and engineering fees, and to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow on the credit of the Town the aforesaid \$420,000.00. Such indebtedness to be incurred in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 38, Section 11, of the Revised Statutes Annotated, and Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes Annotated as amended by Chapter 329 of the laws of 1955.

15a. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$210,000.00 for the purpose of constructing two gravel packed wells, distribution mains, necessary buildings, land damage, and engineering fees, and to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow on the credit of the Town the aforesaid \$210,000.00. Such indebtedness to be incurred in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 38, Section 11, of the Revised Statutes Annotated, and Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes Annotated as amended by Chapter 329 of the laws of 1955.

15b. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$152,100.00 for the purpose of rehabilitating the present Water distribution system in any or all of the following locations:

1. Nashua Street-Clinton Street \$70,000.
2. Souhegan Street-Chestnut Street-Amherst Street \$12,700.
3. Dearborn Street-North Street-Amherst Street \$21,800.
4. Union Street \$17,200.
5. West Street-Spaulding Street \$20,000.
6. West Street (2,000-foot gap between Spaulding Street and Osgood Street) \$10,400.

and to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow on the credit of the Town the aforesaid \$152,100.00. Such indebtedness to be incurred in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 38, Section 11, of the Revised Statutes Annotated, and Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes Annotated as amended by Chapter 329 of the laws of 1955.

15c. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$160,000.00 for the purpose of increasing the capacity of the present water pumping station filtration plant, and to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow on the credit of the Town \$160,000.00. Such indebtedness to be incurred in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 38, Section 11, of the Revised Statutes Annotated, and Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes Annotated as amended by Chapter 329 of the laws of 1955.

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$626.00 (1/100th of 1% of the valuation of the Town) to the Monadnock Region Association of Southern New Hampshire for issuance and distribution of printed matter, newspaper and magazine advertising, and by other means calling attention to the resources and natural advantages of the Town, in cooperation with the other thirty-seven towns of the Monadnock Region.

17. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 27th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-six.

A. WALLACE WILKINS,
CHARLES P. HAYWARD,
ERNEST J. DURANT,
Selectmen of Milford.

...BUDGET...

REVENUE — estimated and actual, in 1955 and
estimated for 1956

EXPENDITURES — for 1955 (showing income and total available),
and proposed expenditures (and income) for
(next page) 1956.

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1955	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1955	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1956
(Other than shown with Approp.)			
* As Revised by State Tax Comm.			
From State:			
Interest & dividends tax	\$6692 95	\$6443 51	\$6443 51
Railroad Tax and Savings Bank tax	475 93	525 75	525 75
Reimbursement a/c exemption of growing wood and timber	1000 00	1294 96	1000 00
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Business licenses & permits	250 00	288 50	250 00
Dog licenses	900 00	1014 78	900 00
Interest received on taxes	1000 00	1271 70	1000 00
Motor vehicle permits & fees	16000 00	20617 61	18000 00
Municipal Court	750 00	568 07	550 00
Water Department			
a. Interest on notes	931 51	931 51	854 00
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
Poll taxes—regular at \$2.00	3000 00	3096 00	3000 00
National Bank Stock taxes	818 70	799 20	799 20
Cash:			
Surplus	6151 63		
Earmarked:			
Civil Defense	\$ 74 31		
Industrial Committee	500 00		
North Street Sewer	394 80		
Union Street Sewer	259 88		
Souhegan Street Sewer	203 47		
Water Survey	2475 69		
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	\$3908 15		

Purpose of EXPENDITURES

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Election & Reg. Expenses	260 00		260 00		278 33		575 00
Municipal Court Expenses	1100 00		1100 00		1000 00		1100 00
Public Works Administration	5580 00	\$ 5736 20	11316 20		11282 53	\$ 5815 00	5657 00
Town Hall and Other							
Buildings — Expenses	7000 00	4920 30	11920 30		11132 27	12350 00	7500 00
Town Officers — Expenses	8382 40	213 81	8596 21		8106 95	8800 00	8800 00
Town Officers — Salaries	5600 00		5600 00		6045 53	6100 00	6100 00

Protection of Persons & Property:

Civil Defense	52 80	447 20	500 00	425 69	500 00	74 31	425 69
2-way Radio					640 00		640 00

Fire Department:

a. Regular	10700 00	236 80	10936 80	10896 43	10700 00	10700 00
b. Hydrant (Oval)		* 600 00	600 00	555 23		
Hydrant Rental:						
a. Milford Water Dept.	2760 00		2760 00	2760 00	2780 00	2780 00
b. Wilton Water Works	180 00		180 00	180 00	180 00	180 00
Police Department	12700 00	193 50	12893 50	13039 30	13500 00	13500 00
Police Cruiser					850 00	850 00

Health:

Garbage Collection	1225 00		1225 00	1210 08	1225 00	1225 00
Health Department	750 00		1350 00	1285 50	750 00	750 00
Sewer Maintenance	1000 00	600 00	1000 00	1000 00	1000 00	1000 00
Town Dump	1000 00		1000 00	996 43	1000 00	1000 00
Vital Statistics	150 00		150 00	142 00	180 00	180 00
Highways and Bridges:						
Highway Maintenance	12100 00	3593 56	15693 56	15689 18	17550 00	15000 00

Oiling	7000 00	145 03	7145 03	7032 24	7050 00	50 00	7000 00
Snow Removal	9000 00	108 29	9108 29	10520 34	10700 00	200 00	10500 00
Street Lighting	8334 96		8334 96	8357 00	8359 44		8359 44
Town Road Aid -- App. A	729 50	1588 42	2317 92	3367 91	5691 01	4948 70	742 31
Town Road Aid -- App. B	Article						
Libraries:	9245 00		9245 00	9245 00	8703 60		8703 60
Public Welfare:							
Old Age Assistance	9000 00	3042 91	12042 91	8674 56	9000 00		9000 00
Town Poor	4100 00	652 35	4752 35	5156 57	3600 00		3600 00
Patriotic Purposes:							
Memorial Day	425 00		425 00	366 82	475 00		475 00
Recreation:							
Parks and Playgrounds							
a. Regular	1500 00	35 00	1535 00	1050 58	1500 00		1500 00
b. Swimming Pool	1800 00	50 00	1850 00	1531 64	1800 00		1800 00
Public Service Enterprises:							
Industrial		* 500 00	500 00		500 00	500 00	
Cemeteries	1700 00	5419 64	7119 64	7593 30	6900 00	5100 00	1800 00
Information Booth	300 00		300 00	300 00	300 00		300 00
Unclassified:							
Advertising & Regional Assoc.	300 00		300 00	300 00	300 00		300 00
Community House	200 00		200 00	200 00	200 00		200 00
Damages & Legal Expenses	250 00		250 00	160 00	250 00		250 00
Employees' Retirement	4117 36		4117 36	3644 39	3285 00		3285 00
Insurance	4186 05		4186 05	4295 00	4944 19		4944 19
Police Pension	187 20		187 20	187 20	187 20		187 20
Social Security					3656 00		3656 00
Tax Map Revision	250 00		250 00	157 58	250 00		250 00
Parking Meter Dec. 31, 1954		2042 85	250 00		Bal.	2765 78	
Income 1955		10028 40	16701 25	13935 47	Town	10000 00	
Earmarked Income		4630 00			State	1500 00	
Nashua Street (\$12260.00)					Total	14265 78	
Other (\$1675.47)							

* Earmarked from previous year

Purpose of
EXPENDITURES

Interest:

- Long Term Notes
 - a. Other than Water
 - b. Water Department
- Temporary Loans
- Outlay for New Construction

and Permanent Improvements:
Highways and Bridges:

- New Equipment
 - a. Jones Bridge
 - b. Calculator
 - c. Sweeper and
 - d. Loader (\$3659.50)
 - e. Safety Lights
- Sewer Construction
- Water Survey
- Sidewalk Construction
- Town Construction

- a. Union Street Sewer
- b. North Street Sewer
- c. Spruce Street Sewer
- d. Souhegan Street Sewer

Indebtedness:

- Long Term Notes
 - Water
 - Other than Water
- Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:
- County Taxes
- Payments to School District

	Approp. Previous Year 1955	Income Previous Year 1955	Total Available Previous Year 1955	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1955	Estimated Expenditures Year 1956	Estimated Income Ensuing Year 1956	Recommend. Approp. Ensuing Year 1956
	506 95		506 95	597 73	403 59		403 59
	931 51	931 51	1863 02	931 51	854 00		854 00
	800 00		800 00	672 49	700 00		700 00
	3900 00	1100 00	5000 00	5256 53			
	250 00		250 00	250 00			
	300 00	8600 00	12259 50	12259 50			
	1000 00		300 00	287 80			
	5000 00		1000 00	1069 40			
	1500 00		5000 00	2524 31	2475 69	2475 69	Earmarked
			1500 00	4319 31	1500 00	1500 00	
	6400 00		6400 00	6140 12	259 88	259 88	Earmarked
	3000 00		3000 00	2605 20	394 80	394 80	Earmarked
	2800 00		2800 00	2082 18			
	6400 00		6400 00	6196 53	203 47	203 47	Earmarked
	4500 00	1000 00	5500 00	4500 00	4500 00	4500 00	
	10000 00		10000 00	10000 00	12500 00	12500 00	
	29764 70		29764 70	29764 70			

What the Town's Worth



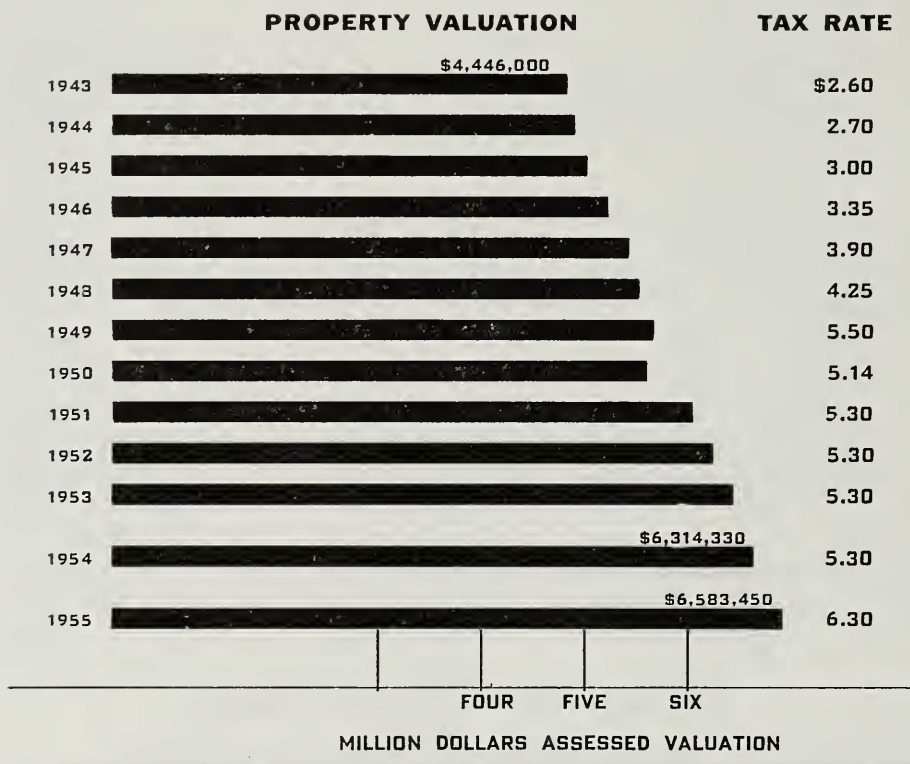
Lands and Buildings	\$4,734,160.00
Electric Plant	310,000.00
Horses, 26	1,480.00
Cows, 578	39,080.00
Other Neat Stock, 33	1,645.00
Sheep and Goats, 27	270.00
Hogs, 1	15.00
Fowls, 12,057	4,045.00
Chinchillas, 8	240.00
Mink, 700	7,000.00
Trailers, 2	1,200.00
Portable Mills	200.00
Wood, lumber	2,035.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	13,800.00
Stock in Trade	721,290.00
Mills and Machinery	746,990.00
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	\$6,583,450.00
Soldiers' Exemptions (already subtracted from above)	\$317,346.00
Poll Taxes (1813 at \$2.00)	\$3,626.00

What the Town Owns

Town Hall, land and buildings — Furniture and equipment
 Library, land and buildings — Furniture and equipment
 Fire Department, Equipment
 Highway Department, lands and buildings, including new garage —
 Equipment
 Parks, commons and playgrounds
 Water supply
 Schools, land and buildings — Equipment
 Smalley-Souhegan Co., Cutts land 1 1/3 acres, Brookline road.
 Frank T. Lang, Queen Quarry, Brookline road, and land on Brook-
 line road.

1955 Tax Rate—\$6.30 per hundred

Valuation—Tax Rate





Financial Accounts



- BALANCE SHEET
- RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
- TOWN CLERK
- TOWN TREASURER
- TAX COLLECTOR
- TOWN POOR
- PARKING METERS

BALANCE

ASSETS

Cash	
In hands of treasurer	\$112,887 57
Unredeemed Taxes: (from tax sale on account of)	
(b) Levy of 1954	852 34
(c) Levy of 1953	692 65
(d) Previous Years	1,448 98
Uncollected Taxes:	
(a) Levy of 1955	52,133 52
(b) Levy of 1954	154 31
(c) Levy of 1953	99 11
(d) Previous Years	702 00
(e) State Head Taxes—Levy of 1955	1,955 00
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Total Assets	\$170,925 48
Excess of liabilities over assets (Net Debt)	6,081 23
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Grand Total	\$177,006 71
Net Debt — December 31, 1954	\$16,071 68
Net Debt — December 31, 1955	\$6,081 23
Decrease of Debt	\$9,990 45

SHEET

Liabilities

Accounts Owed by the Town:

Unexpended Balances of Special Appropriations:

Civil Defense	\$ 74 31
Sewer Projects	858 15
Water Survey	2,475 69
Industrial Committee	500 00
Parking Meter Reserve Fund	2,765 78

Due to School Districts: Balance of Appropriation	103,732 78
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Bonds Outstanding:

Water Extension	48,000 00
Equipment	8,600 00
West Street Water — Garage — Trucks	10,000 00

Total Liabilities	\$177,006 71
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Grand Total	\$177,006 71
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Receipts

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes: (Collected and remitted to Treasurer)

Property Taxes — Current Year — 1955	\$343,204 21
Poll Taxes — Current Year — regular	
at \$2 — 1955	3,096 00
National Bank Stock Taxes — 1955	799 20
Yield Taxes — 1955	636 17
State Head Taxes at \$5 — 1955	10,230 00
Total Current Year's Taxes collected and remitted	\$357,965 58
Property Taxes and Yield Taxes — Previous Years	44,433 70
Poll Taxes — Previous Years—Regular at \$2	568 00
State Head Taxes at \$5 — Previous Years	1,995 00
Interest received on Taxes	1,271 70
Penalties on State Head Taxes	232 50
Tax sales redeemed	2,058 77

From State:

For Highways and Bridges:	
(a) For Town Road Aid	\$ 3,629 22
(b) For Class V Highway maintenance	1,588 42
(c) For State Aid Construction	14,538 59
Interest and dividends tax	6,443 51
Savings Bank Tax and Building and	
Loan Association Tax	525 75
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of	
Growing Wood and Timber	1,294 96
Bounties	21 50
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance	3,042 91

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog licenses	\$ 1,014 78
Fines and forfeits, municipal court	568 07
Rent of town property	4,920 30
Income from equipment rental	3,659 50
Income from departments	1,920 29
Income from parking meters	10,028 40
Income from municipal water and	
electric departments	7,667 71
Registration of motor vehicles, '54 permits	293 69
Registration of motor vehicles, '55 permits	20,323 92

Total Current Revenue Receipts ----- 490,006 77

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	\$120,000 00
Long term notes during year	8,600 00
Abatements:	
Head Taxes	245 00
Property and Poll	999 40
Town Property Sold	300 00
Cemeteries	5,419 64
Highway Maintenance	3,593 56
Head Tax Reimbursements	79 34
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Total Receipts from All Sources	\$629,243 71
Cash on hand January 1, 1955	90,073 36
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GRAND TOTAL	\$719,317 07

Payments

Current Maintenance Expenses:**General Government:**

Town officers' salaries	\$ 6,045 53
Town officers' expenses	8,106 95
Map revision	157 58
Election and registration expenses	278 33
Municipal court expenses	1,000 00
Expenses town hall and other town bldgs.	11,132 27
Parking meters—operation & maintenance	1,675 47
Public Works administration	11,282 53
Calculator	250 00

Protection of Persons and Property:

Safety lights	287 80
Police department	13,039 30
Fire department, including forest fires	10,896 43
Bounties	12 00
Land damage	25 00
Insurance	4,295 00
Civil Defense	425 69

Health:

Health department	1,285 50
Vital statistics	142 00
Sewer maintenance	1,000 00
Town dumps and garbage removal	2,206 51

Payments

Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid — Apportionment "A"	3,367 91
Town maintenance:	26,209 52
(summer \$15,689.18)	
(winter \$10,520.34)	
Street lighting	8,357 00
Oiling	7,032 24

Libraries:

Libraries	9,245 00
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Public Welfare:

Old age assistance	8,674 56
Town poor	5,156 57
Community House	200 00

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day and Veteran's Association	366 82
Information booth	300 00

Recreation:

Swimming pool	1,531 64
Parks and playgrounds	1,050 58

Public Service Enterprises:

Wilton Water Works	180 00
Cemeteries	7,593 30
Hydrant rental	2,760 00
Water survey	2,524 31

Unclassified:

Damages and legal expenses	135 00
Advertising and Region Associations	300 00
Taxes bought by town	1,464 33
Discounts, abatements and refunds	1,926 78
N. H. Police Retirement	187 20
Employees' Retirement and Social Security	3,644 39

Total Current Maintenance Expenses	-----\$165,751 04
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Interest:

Paid on temporary loan in anticipation of taxes	672 49
Paid on long term notes	1,529 24

Total Interest Payments	----- 2,201 73
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Payments

Outlay for New Construction, Equipment and Permanent Improvements:

Highways and Bridges:		
Jones' Bridge	\$5,256	53
Nashua St. Construction—		
Apportionment "B"	29,506	11
Hydrant—Oval	555	23
Sidewalk construction	1,319	31
Sewer Constructions:	17,024	03
North St. sewer	\$2605.20	
Union St. sewer	\$6140.12	
Spruce St. sewer	\$2082.18	
Souhegan St. sewer	\$6196.53	
Sewer correction	1,069	41
Sweeper	1,500	00
Payloader	10,759	50
Total Outlay Payments	-----	66,990 12

Indebtedness:

Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	\$120,000	00
Payments on long term notes	14,500	00
Total Indebtedness Payments	-----	134,500 00

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

State Head Taxes paid State Treas.	\$11,725	50
D. C. Bruce, 3% commission	349	65
Taxes paid to County	29,764	70
Payments to School Districts	195,146	76
Total Payments to Other Gov. Divisions	-----	236,986 61

Total Payments for all Purposes	\$606,429	50
Cash on hand December 31, 1955	112,887	57

GRAND TOTAL	\$719,317 07
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Town Clerk

DOG ACCOUNT

496 Dogs licensed and 2 Kennel Licenses issued from January 1, 1955 to January 1, 1956

Dr.

7	Dogs for part of the year — 1954	\$ 4 60
251	Male dogs at \$2.00 each	502 00
54	Female dogs at \$5.00 each	270 00
177	Spayed female dogs at \$2.00 each	354 00
7	Dogs for part of year — 1955	12 03
2	Kennel licenses covering not more than 5 dogs each at \$12.00 each	24 00
4	Penalties at 50c each	2 00
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		\$1168 63

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Amount paid Town Treasurer	\$1014 78
Dog Tags	22 25
Dog Books	22 00
Dog License Notice – Milford Cabinet	10 00
Commission for Licensing Dogs	99 60
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	\$1168 63

AUTO ACCOUNT

95	(1954) Auto permits issued from January 1, 1955 to April 1, 1955	\$ 293 69
2465	(1955) Auto permits issued from January 1, 1955 to January 1, 1956	20,323 92
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		\$20,617 61
2560	Auto permits issued from January 1, 1955 to January 1, 1956	
Total Amount paid Town Treasurer		\$20,617 61

DONALD C. BRUCE,
Town Clerk of Milford, N. H.

Town Treasurer

DEBITS

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1955		\$ 90,073 36
Donald C. Bruce, Tax Collector:		
1955 — Poll and Property	\$346,300 21	
Head Taxes	10,230 00	
Head Taxes — Penalties	32 00	
Head Taxes — Abatements	95 00	
Head Taxes — Interest	6 85	
Abatements — Property and Poll	865 60	
Yield Taxes	636 17	
National Bank Stock Taxes	799 20	
	-----	358,965 03
1954 and Previous Years:		
Poll and Property	44,710 20	
Poll and Property — Abatements	133 80	
Head Taxes	1,995 00	
Head Taxes — Penalties	200 50	
Head Taxes — Abatements	150 00	
Interest	1,264 85	
Yield Taxes	291 50	
	-----	48,745 85
Redeemed Taxes		2,058 77
Donald C. Bruce, Town Clerk:		
Dog Licenses		1,014 78
Automobile Permits		20,617 61
Board of Selectmen:		
State of New Hampshire:		
Old Age Assistance	3,042 91	
Interest and Dividend Taxes	6,443 51	
Timber Tax	1,294 96	
Savings Bank and Railroad Taxes	525 75	
Head Tax Reimbursement	79 34	
Apportionment "B"	14,538 59	
Apportionment "A"	1,588 42	
Bounties	21 50	
1954 Balance T.R.A.	3,629 22	
Parking Meters	10,028 40	
Town Property Sold	300 00	
Serial Notes	8,600 00	
Tax Anticipation Loans	120,000 00	
Water Department	1,931 51	
Income from Departments	1,621 97	
	-----	173,646 08

Public Works Department:

Milford Water Department	5,736 20	
Payloader and Sweeper	3,659 50	
Town Buildings	4,920 30	
Highway Maintenance	3,593 56	
Cemeteries	5,419 64	
All other Income	298 32	
	-----	23,627 52

Municipal Court: 568 07

Total Debits \$719,317 07

CREDITS

Total Orders from All Accounts -1955 \$606,429 50

Balance on Hand: December 31, 1955 112,887 57

Total \$719,317 07

Balance on Hand December 31, 1955 \$112,887 57

Deduct:

Due School District	\$103,732 78	
Civil Defense	74 31	
Sewer Projects	858 15	
Water Survey	2,475 69	
Industrial Committee	500 00	
Parking Meter Balance	2,765 78	
	-----	110,406 71

Balance Available January 1, 1956 \$ 2,480 86

Tax Collector

JANUARY 1, 1956

Dr.	
TO 1955 Property Tax Levy	\$394,827 51
TO 1955 School Tax Levy	68 02
TO 1955 Bank Stock Tax Levy	799 20
TO 1955 Poll Tax Levy	3,626 00
TO Timber Yield Tax Levy	1,347 97
TO Added Poll Taxes	66 00
TO Interest Collected since Decemember 1, 1955	6 85
	<hr/> \$400,741 55

Cr.	
By Cash Paid Town Treasurer:	
Property Tax	\$343,136 19
School Tax	68 02
Bank Stock Tax	799 20
Poll Taxes	3,096 00
Yield Tax	636 17
Interest Collected	6 85
By Property Tax Abated	831 60
By Poll Taxes Abated	34 00
By Property Taxes uncollected January 1, 1956	50,859 72
By Poll Taxes uncollected January 1, 1956	562 00
By Yield Taxes uncollected January 1, 1956	711 80
	<hr/> \$400,741 55

Dr.	
To 1955 Head Tax Levy	\$12,055 00
To Added Head Taxes	225 00
To Penalties collected since December 1, 1955	32 00
	<hr/> \$12,312 00

Cr.	
By Cash Paid Town Trecasurer:	
Head Taxes	\$10,230 00
Penalties	32 00
By Head Taxes uncollected January 1, 1956	1,955 00
By Head Taxes Abated	95 00
	<hr/> \$12,312 00

Dr.	
To 1954 Property Tax uncollected January 1, 1955	\$44,115 18
To 1954 Poll Taxes uncollected January 1, 1955	616 00
To 1954 Yield Taxes uncollected January 1, 1955	286 62
To Added Poll Taxes	16 00
To Interest collected during fiscal year	1,249 93
	<hr/> \$46,283 73

Cr.

By Cash Paid Town Treasurer:

Property Tax	\$44,069 87
Poll Taxes	558 00
Yield Taxes	241 50
Interest collected during fiscal year	1,249 93
By Poll Taxes Abated	50 00
By Yield Tax Abated	45 12
By Property Tax uncollected January 1, 1956	45 31
By Poll Taxes uncollected January 1, 1956	24 00
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	\$46,283 73

Dr.

To 1954 Head Taxes uncollected January 1, 1955	\$2,090 00
To Added Head Taxes	95 00
To Penalties collected since January 1, 1955	197 50
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	\$2,382 50

Cr.

By Cash Paid Town Treasurer:

Head Taxes	\$1,965 00
Penalties	197 50
By Head Taxes Abated	135 00
By Head Taxes uncollected January 1, 1956	85 00
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	\$2,382 50

Dr.

To 1953 Property Tax uncollected January 1, 1955	\$ 72 33
To 1953 Poll Taxes uncollected January 1, 1955	20 00
To 1953 Yield Tax uncollected January 1, 1955	132 79
To Interest collected during fiscal year	14 92
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	\$240 04

Cr.

By Cash Paid Town Treasurer:

Property Tax	\$72 33
Poll Taxes	10 00
Yield Taxes	50 00
Interest collected during fiscal year	14 92
By Poll Taxes Abated	2 00
By Yield Tax Abated	36 68
By Poll Taxes uncollected January 1, 1956	8 00
By Yield Tax uncollected January 1, 1956	46 11
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	\$240 04

Dr.

To 1953 Head Taxes uncollected January 1, 1955	\$90 00
To Penalties collected since January 1, 1955	3 00
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	\$93 00

Cr.

By Cash Paid Town Treasurer:	
Head Taxes	\$30 00
Penalties	3 00
By Head Taxes Abated	15 00
By Head Taxes uncollected January 1, 1956	45 00
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	\$93 00

Dr.

To 1952 and Previous Years Property Tax	
uncollected January 1, 1955	\$380 00
To 1952 and Previous Years Poll Taxes	
uncollected January 1, 1955	322 00
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	\$702 00

Cr.

By Property Tax uncollected January 1, 1956	\$380 00
By Poll Taxes uncollected January 1, 1956	322 00
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	\$702 00

Summary of Tax Sales Account — January 1, 1956

Dr.

	1954	1953	1952	1951 & Prev.
Taxes Sold to Town —				
July 18, 1955	\$1464.33			
Unredeemed Taxes				
January 1, 1955		\$1300.67	\$1233.03	\$842.65
Interest collected after sale	12.35	56.19	100.28	37.69
Redemption costs	2.75	1.40	1.40	
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	\$1479.43	\$1358.26	\$1334.71	\$880.34

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Remittances to Jan. 1, '56	\$ 627.09	\$ 665.61	\$ 718.11	\$ 47.96
Unredeemed Taxes				
Jan. 1, 1956	852.34	692.65	616.60	832.38
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	\$1479.43	\$1358.26	\$1334.71	\$880.34

DONALD C. BRUCE,
Tax Collector of Milford, N. H.

Town Poor

On January 1st, eight cases representing ten people were being assisted with direct aid. During the year, eighteen applications were made. As result of these applications six cases representing fifteen people were assisted. On December 31st, three cases representing four people were being assisted. Use is still made of surplus food to supplement assistance and for borderline cases.

<i>Income</i>	
Appropriation January 1, 1955	\$4100 00
Income to Town	632 35

Total Available	\$4732 35
<i>Expenditures</i>	
Administration expenses	\$ 509 75
Direct relief payments	4612 72
Surplus foods	14 10

Total Expenditures	\$5136 57
Over Expended	404 22

ROBERT C. CAMPBELL,
Overseer of Town Poor

Parking Meters

Debit

Balance on hand January 1, 1955 — Unallocated	\$ 2,042 85
Balance earmarked for Apportionment "B" 1955	4,630 00
Receipts 1955	10,028 40

	\$16,701 25

Credit

Maintenance Expenses	\$ 1,675 47
Nashua Street Construction	12,260 00

	13,935 47

Unallocated earmarked surplus	\$ 2,765 78

Town Auditors

We certify that we have examined the items, accounts, and vouchers of the following Departments for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1955, and, to the best of our knowledge and belief, they are correct: Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Public Works, Clerk of Board of Selectmen, Treasurer — Milford Free Library, Clerk of Municipal Court, Overseer of the Poor, Treasurer — Trustee of Trust Funds.

Fire insurance policies on town properties were examined and found to be in force.

Surety Bonds covering the several Town Officers were examined and found to be in force.

The securities in the custody of the Trustees of Trust Funds were examined and found to be in proper order.

PAUL C. RIZZI,

LEONARD S. LORDEN,

Auditors.

Industrial Committee

Your committee has again held four meetings as a group since our report of one year ago. Some of these have been routine meetings and others called to endeavor to be of assistance to someone who feels that there might be a possibility for them to start manufacturing here.

Our industry is excellent with very little empty manufacturing space and our available labor is almost nil.

One year ago we reported: "We are therefore giving considerable time, thought and study to the possibility of forming an Industrial Development Foundation." A sub-committee was named and instructed to look into the feasibility of forming such a foundation. This sub-committee made some study and reported back to the full committee where it was decided to have the sub-committee look further into the matter for it appeared that if we were to compete with other large towns or cities we would have to be set up with available capital and if possible, land and factory space. At present the probability of such a foundation (to your chairman at least) appears unlikely, but would, however, become formed should the majority of the members of the full committee deem it advisable.

Meanwhile we are spending no money to advertise for new industry, but are spending all time necessary with any and all who come to us and I am assured by my members that if a reliable party appears that the necessary financial help is readily available.

I highly recommend that any and all citizens who have thoughts regarding this matter make them known to this committee and to discuss it at your Town Meeting if they so desire. (I also recommend that your Moderator appoint a new chairman for three years is long enough for one person to have such leadership without tangible, positive results.)

Your other members are at present: H. H. Holt, W. B. Rotch, O. P. Fisk, H. E. Trentini, A. A. Murray, C. E. Weymouth, A. Wallace Wilkins, Roscoe Coburn, Kenneth Langdell, David

A. Hoadley, Rodney C. Woodman (ex-officio) and William A. Whipple.

WILLIAM A. WHIPPLE, *Chairman*
For the Committee

Planning Board

The board has had nine meetings this year. We have worked on regulations for the protection of the townspeople and have completed a protective group of by-laws which we believe should be adopted by the town. We have presented these by-laws to the Selectmen for approval and presentation to the people of Milford.

It does not appear that they shall have sufficient time before town meeting to present them, as we now have the N. H. Planning and Zoning Association looking them over to insure no legal difficulties. We believe at a later date the Selectmen should call special meetings to acquaint the townspeople with these by-laws and to have them put into effect. We have worked diligently and hope they will be adopted.

Respectfully submitted
Joseph M. Silva, *Secretary*.

Ernest J. Durant *Chairman*
Francis J. Lorden
Laurence E. Billings
Joseph M. Silva, sec. treas.
Paul C. Rizzi

Financial Report of the Planning Board

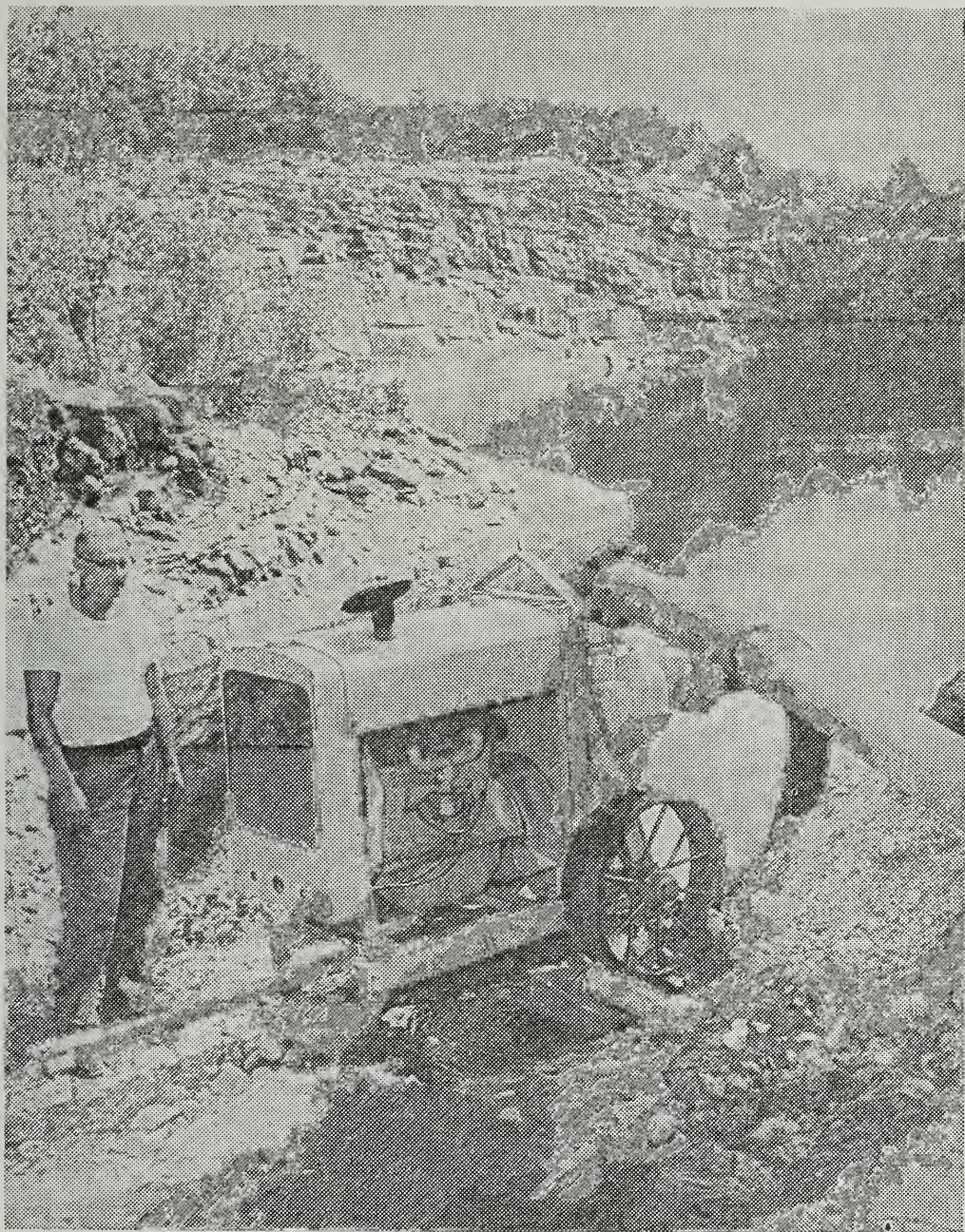
Cash on Hand January 1, 1955	\$223.36
Association Membership	10.00
Typing	12.50

Balance	\$200.86

JOSEPH SILVA, *Treasurer*.

PUBLIC WORKS

Tenth Annual Report



Pump at work last summer, adding water from Lovejoy's quarry to the town supply.

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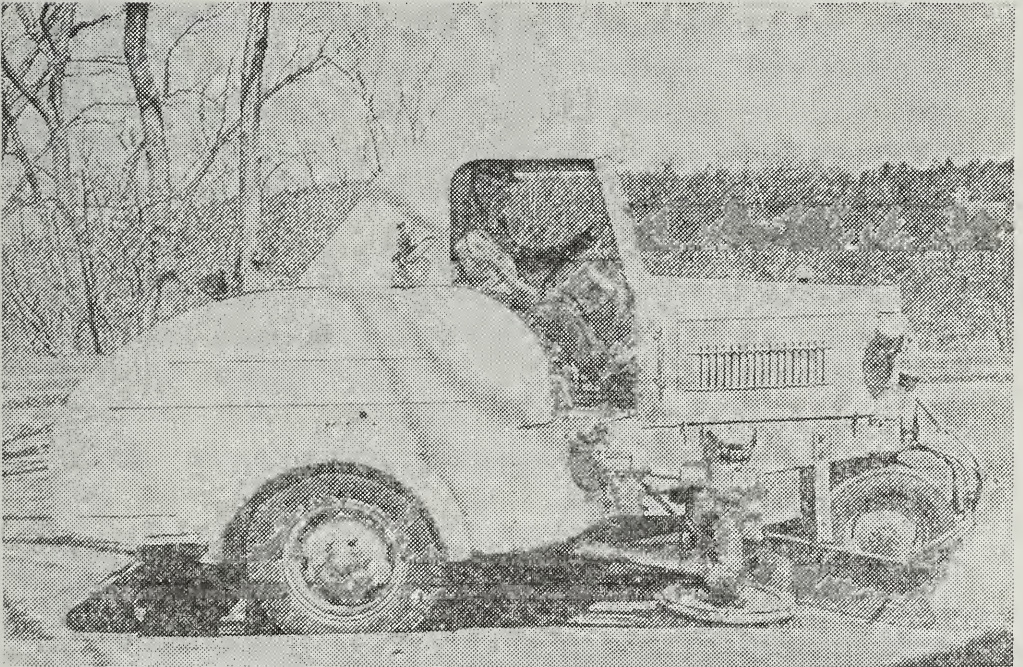
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GENERAL

1955 was an exceptionally heavy work year for the Public Works Department as the regular Maintenance Program was augmented by two large Work Projects; namely, Nashua street and the Sewer Projects.

The first of these large projects, Nashua street, was undertaken because the Public Works Department was faced with, either making extensive repairs to Nashua street from the Railroad Tracks, easterly to Ponemah Hill Road, so that this section of the road could be passable to traffic during 1955, or by taking on the job of redesigning and re-building the entire

Sweeper at Work



Here, in action on Elm Street, is the street sweeper the town voted to purchase last March.

section, as the State of N. H. Highway Division indicated that it was not ready to let out Construction Work at this location for some time. Rather than have the Town stand the Expense of these repairs which might run into several thousand dollars, the Public Works Department decided to undertake this project and received approval from the State Highway Department to do this work. This approval was necessary as the work was being jointly financed from the State Highway Apportionment B Town Aid Funds and the local Town of Milford Parking Meter Fund.

This project was completed by using Town help, locally rented equipment and regular Public Works Department supervision. Considerable savings amounted to the Town due to the lack of Engineering Expense normally charged by the State, amounting to approximately \$2400, half of which would have to have been paid by the Town.

There was also the fact that the Construction Cost on itemized comparison with prices being bid by contractors in this area, show that the work was done slightly cheaper by the Town crew. In addition to this, there was approximately \$3500 of Labor Money from Highway Maintenance, which did not have to be appropriated in the 1955 Town Meeting as this Money was paid out of the combined State Apportionment B Money and Parking Meter Funds, as authorized by the Town Meeting Vote.

Construction Work of this type on such an extensive project is not normally considered to be the work of a Public Works Department of the size of the Milford Department. However, the unusual circumstances under which this Project was undertaken, justified the Town undertaking this work for the best interest of the Townspeople.

Because of a delay in the middle of the Summer, while waiting to secure from the State, a supplier of the Hot-Top surface material, Nashua street work was delayed, and there are some slopes and walls still to be repaired, and this will be done as soon as work opens up in the Spring of 1956.

The various Sewer Projects were not let out to Contract early in the year because your Superintendent could not handle the Engineering on Nashua Street and the Contract plans, specifications and contract supervision on the Sewer Projects at the same time. Due to the delay in completing Nashua Street, the time arrived to start the Sewer Projects and any additional delay required to prepare plans, specifications and to let the work out to "bid" would have projected the Sewer work into 1956 and because of this fact, the Public Works Department decided to undertake this work and added several temporary employees, and some rented equipment in order to complete these Projects.

Cold weather closed in rather early in November and December and some "clean-up" work and road repairs still remain to be done on several of the Sewers and this will be completed early in 1956. In addition to these projects, and our General Maintenance Program, an additional project was undertaken when the School Department asked to have the land surrounding the new Lt. Jacques Memorial School graded and a Driveway and Parking Area provided. The Public Works crew moved in, spread the Loam, graded it and provided a new Driveway and parking Area of Asphalt and Stone Mix with additional drainage to take care of the bad water problem existing between the new and the old Schools.

Changes were again made in the Public Works Office Staff. Salvatore Saraceno resigned his position as Office Accountant, after 8 years employment, to enter other work and was replaced by Robert Courage .

The Calculator purchased at the March Town Meeting has proven invaluable and provides enough help so that the Office force of a full-time Accountant and a part-time Secretary appears at the present time to be able to carry the Work Load.

The Hough payloador with backhoe attachment purchased by the Town this year was used extensively and proved to be a valuable and versatile tool for all departments. The Austin

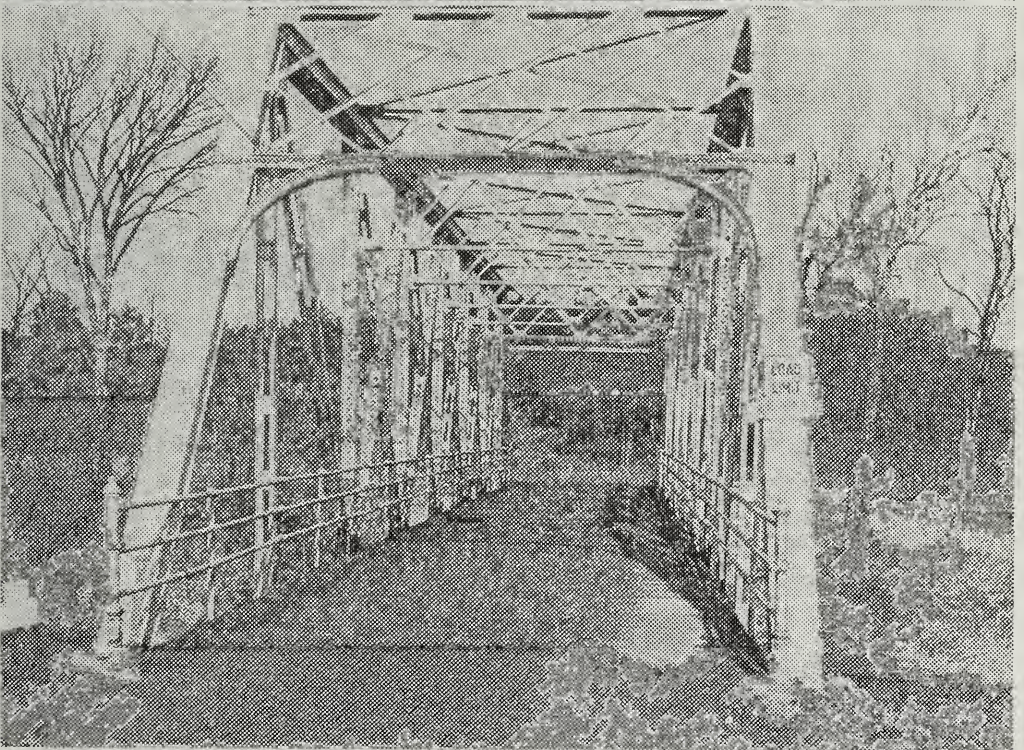
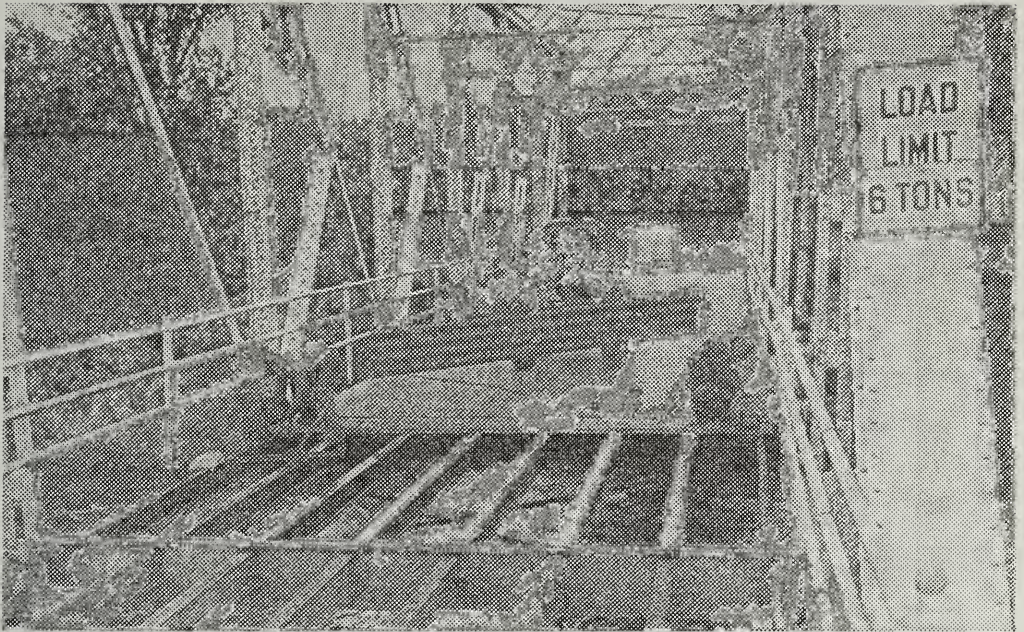
Western Road Sweeper also proved very useful, especially after the cut down road broom was attached to the front of the vehicle.

I wish at this time to express my appreciation to the other Town Departments for their co-operation and particularly my appreciation for the good work done this past year by the Public Works Department personnel who have tried to contend with a heavy Work Load.

SUMMARY OF TAX RATE FOR 1954 AND 1955		
	1954	1955
	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Total Valuation	\$6,619,506.00	\$6,583,450.00
Veterans Exemptions	305,176.00	317,346.00
Total Taxable Valuation	6,314,330.00	6,266,104.00
Total Appropriation	386,267.30	441,581.21
Revenue	51,607.81	46,816.66
Total amount to be Raised —		
Property Taxes	334,659.49	394,764.55
Amount to be Raised —		
a. Town Meeting	159,512.73	171,031.77
b. School Meeting	175,146.76	223,732.78

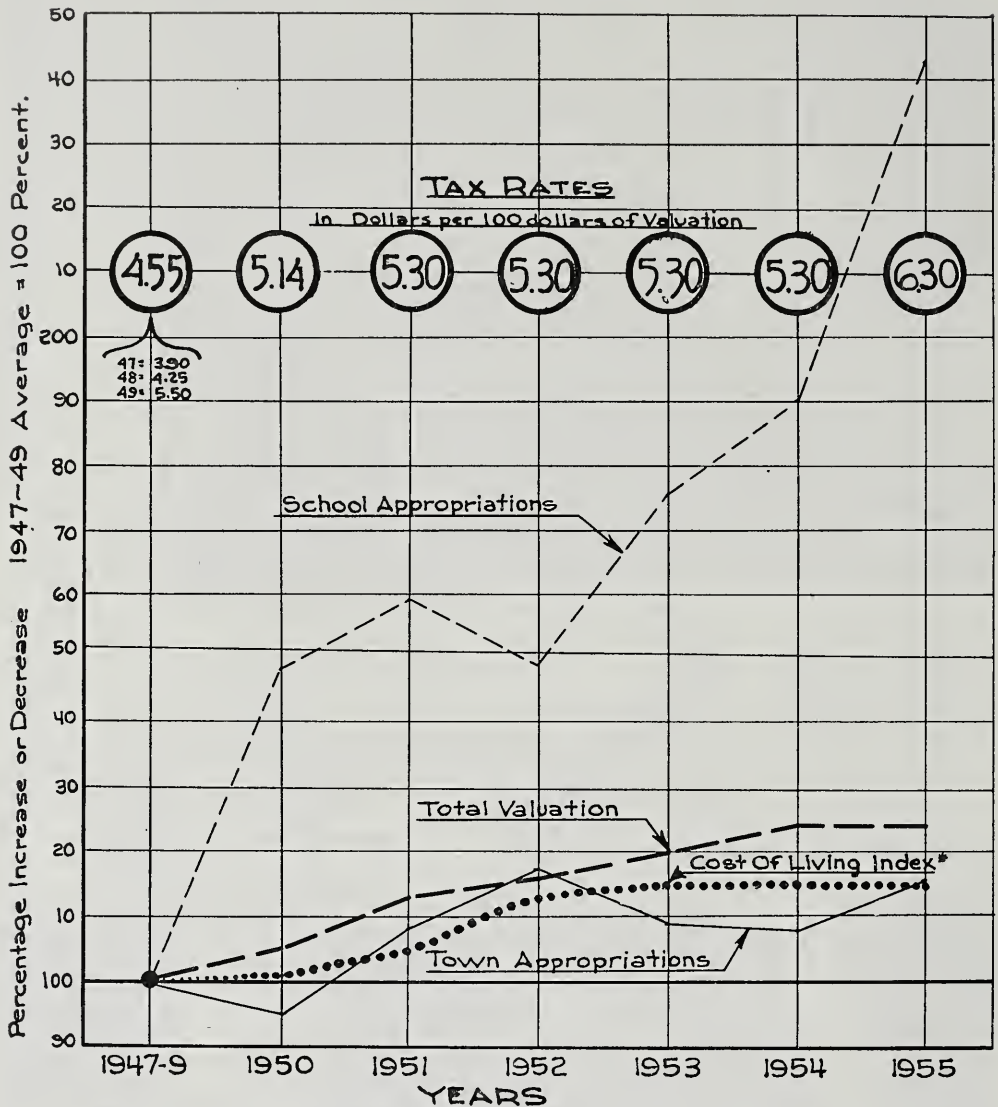
BREAKDOWN OF TAX RATE IN DOLLARS		
TOWN MEETING	1954	1955
	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Amount</i>
County Tax	\$ 3.06	\$ 3.87
Fire Dept.	1.08	1.39
Library	1.06	1.20
Other	10.00	8.57
Police Department	1.70	1.66
Public Works Regular	6.46	6.96
Public Works Special	1.90	3.64
TOTAL TOWN MEETING	25.26	27.29
SCHOOL MEETING	27.74	35.71
TOTAL TAX RATE PER \$1,000	53.00	63.00

New Bridge Flooring



The top picture shows the Jones Crossing bridge flooring torn up. Workmen are laying the new decking, of corrugated steel. The lower picture shows the completed surface, hot top over the steel "planking."

COMPARISON OF APPROPRIATIONS RATE OF INCREASE: 1947-49 to 1955



COMPARISON OF APPROPRIATIONS

In order that the townspeople may have some means of comparing the various costs of municipal government with some common standard, this chart has been prepared showing a

comparison of the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics "Cost of Living" index, with the total valuation of the town and with the various appropriations of the town and school, and also showing the comparative tax rate data for each year.

The information shown on this chart refers to the percentage increase in the various appropriations or valuations each year compared with a Base period. In this case, the Base period used is that of the Revised U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics "Cost of Living" index, year 1947 to 1949 average. Calling this Base period equal to 100, means that a figure of 115 taken from the chart would show that item had increased 15% over the Base year period.

It can be seen from this chart that, in general, the town valuations and town expenditures are following the pattern of cost of living, while school expenses have been rising at a very rapid rate.

This is not to be interpreted that the school costs are excessive or "out of line" with the real needs of the town, but merely that the cost of educating our children is having a decided impression on our recent tax rates.

Cemeteries

The Cemetery Program this year was hampered by the unusual weather conditions prevailing in 1955. We had a very wet spring and exceedingly dry middle summer, and a very wet fall. The wet spring and fall more than compensated for the dry period in the summer when no mowings were necessary.

The total labor costs for this year resulted in an over-expenditure of some \$473.66. This is essentially an added "mowing" charge, plus a small increment due to repairs to Perpetual Grave Lots, for which, no income was received, other than the regular Perpetual Care income from Trust Funds, which barely cover the costs of keeping these lots mowed. This Perpetual Care income compared with the cost of maintaining the care of Perpet-

ual Care lots and giving them the attention which they deserve, is a serious problem, and an attempt is being made at the present time to detail the expense involved, so that a series of charges for future Perpetual Care Lots may be organized so that in the future, these Lots will be "self-supporting."

During the past year, further discrepancies have been discovered in the Cemetery Records, concerning the difference between the information on the maps and that information possessed by relatives or shown on tombstones. An attempt is being made at the present time to correlate the map information with the information to be found in the Cemetery, and to then correct the Cemetery Records, in the office, to agree with the actual field data.

In anticipation of further expansion in the Cemetery, an additional area, beyond Section D, out in the low wooded valley, to the east of the present development, was cut over and brushed-out, to give us an idea of just what we had in the way of available lots. There is a surprisingly large level area, cradled between two hills, which, with proper development, will be a very attractive area, which should provide sufficient room for many years. It is intended to develop this area gradually, perhaps by planting shade trees and laying it out, long in advance of the date when actual use will be necessary. In that way, we will have a much more attractive area when the sale of lots becomes feasible.

As pointed out in the Report for 1954, the amount of money recommended for "Appropriations for 1956" provides for General Maintenance of all five (5) cemeteries during a normal year, but does not provide enough money to catch up on a great number of Perpetual Care lots which should be re-graded or re-seeded. This is a serious condition and it cannot be straightened out without the expenditure of a large sum of money. The town is approaching the time when additional money will have to be appropriated to provide these Perpetual Care lots with the type of care which should be reasonably provided under the title of "Perpetual Care."

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

<i>Income</i>	1954	1955
Appropriation	\$1500 00	\$1700 00
Annual Care, Lots	573 50	488 25
Opening Graves	899 50	952 50
Grading Lots	600 00	369 00
Perpetual Care Interest	2825 62	3135 90
1954 Perpetual Care Interest, deposited 1955		273 95
Other Income	690 96	200 04
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Total Available Income	\$7089 58	\$7119 64
<i>Expenditures</i>		
Labor	\$5431 24	\$5866 31
Material	245 92	285 34
Equipment Rental	724 35	854 90
Repairs	163 06	279 21
Tools	233 00	144 75
Miscellaneous	287 80	162 79
	-----	-----
	\$7085 37	\$7593 30
Over-expended Balance		\$473 66
Un-expended Balance	\$4 21	

RIVERSIDE LOT FUND

	1954	1955
Cash Balance in Cemetery Book, No. 13048, January 1	\$1004 17	\$1526 96
Income: Sale of lots and interest	547 79	305 00
	-----	-----
Total Available	\$1551 96	\$1831 96
<i>Expenditures</i>	25 00	
Cash Balance in Savings Books,		
	-----	-----
No. 13048, December 31	\$1526 96	\$1831 96

PERPETUAL CARE

Taken in and paid to Trustees	\$2450 00	\$2100 00
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Highway Maintenance

The construction and general maintenance of town roads was carried out as usual. Gravel roads were graded and some of them were given a coating of oil as a dust layer under the Oiling program. Brush was cut on several roads such as Coburn road, and Ponemah Hill road. During this year we were fortunate in that a State Highway roller was available during the construction of Nashua street and it was also used to good advantage to compact our gravel roads after they were re-graded.

The streets in the center of the town were swept and the gutters given a good cleaning this year with a power sweeper purchased at town meeting time. This is an Austin Western Model 40 power sweeper and with it, the streets where there is curbing, were given a cleaning this spring, and the center of the town was done once each day. Such streets close to the center of the town as Nashua St., South St., Elm St., Amherst St., and Union St. were given additional cleanings.

By cutting up the old Hough drag-sweeper, we were able to re-construct a good power-broom to hang on the front of the power sweeper, and this proved to be a very economical and efficient road broom.

Riverview and Shepard streets were re-graded and will be trimmed up and surfaced in 1956.

Major repairs were required for the Adams grader. Fortunately, we were able to rent this equipment to the state for their oiling program, for enough money and equipment rentals to cover this repair cost.

The A tractor was put out on side roads and back roads to mow grass and small brush from the shoulders of the road.

Patching of streets was a definite problem this year, as the heavy frost action in the spring of 1955 caused extensive damage to our oil roads, particularly those which had not been re-surfaced recently.

The Highway Department crews were also called upon to re-grade the area around the new Jacques Memorial school and

to construct a driveway and parking area and add needed drainage.

While general maintenance of town roads was carried out as usual, part of the construction program which is generally done each year, was omitted as it was felt that the construction of Nashua street would be of a greater benefit to the town at this time. The intention was, at that time, to carry over the construction of such streets as Trow's Court, Walker St., Riverview St., Shepard St. to 1956, and it is the intention of the department to do these streets in 1956, as the highway crews will no longer be tied up with such an extensive project as Nashua St.

Town Road Aid

Apportionment A

A mixed-in-place surface was placed on 5/10 of a mile on Coburn road, starting at the junction of the old road to the Smalley Souhegan Granite Co. and continuing in a southerly direction to the junction of Coburn road and Foster road. This project was completed by the State Highway Department road crews and followed last year's widening and graveling of this road. Additional work was done on the graveled portion of Melendy road and a bad curve was helped at the corner, near Mr. Frank Melendy's, where the gravel bank was cut back and the road widened to get proper visibility. The excess fill from this cut was taken and placed in the fill over the old railroad cut and the road there was widened, so that it is now possible for two cars to pass comfortably. Additional work was done on eliminating the bad curve by the Rockweil property and this work will be continued under a portion of 1956 App. A money.

It is now the policy of this department to do the graveling and grading of a section of a road, wherever possible, under one year's appropriation, and to do the surfacing under the next. By doing this, the gravel areas have a chance to settle out and become better compacted before the surface is completed. In conjunction with this type of program, 1956 work will be done on surfacing of Melendy road, and graveling and re-

construction work on Ball Hill road as outlined in the 1955 town meeting.

Apportionment B

In 1955, the town took advantage of a State Aid, TRA, App. B fund moneys, used in conjunction with Milford's parking meter fund money, to re-construct a portion of Nashua street, from the railroad crossing, near the Riverside cemetery, easterly 1500 feet to the junction of Ponemah Hill road and Nashua street.

In 1954, when the sewer pipe was placed in this portion of Nashua street, it was understood at that time from information received from the State Highway Department, that this portion of the road was to be re-constructed under a state program in 1954 and 1955. Based on this assumption, a temporary patch was provided for, along the sewer ditch. When the state work failed to materialize, during the winter of 1954 and 1955, this road became a serious maintenance problem and when the State Highway Department was contacted concerning future plans for this strip of road, it was determined that the earliest possible date of construction would be the spring of 1956, and as this road was in such condition that it could not continue to be used for any such length of time as this without major repairs, and even temporary repairs would amount to several thousands of dollars, it was determined that the town itself should re-construct this portion of the road under a "Force" account. Under this program, it was impossible for the town, in turn, to sub-contract the work to anyone else in its entirety, and the engineering and all the work had to be done by town crews or outside workmen, employed directly on the town payroll.

This reconstruction work involved excavating the sub-grade, some places to a depth of three and one half feet, in order to remove all unsuitable material. The road was widened to a 40 foot width, a sidewalk was provided on the southerly side as far as the property of Ernest Medlyn, a large corrugated arch culvert was placed in the brook to replace an old granite capstone culvert, a surface of bituminous concrete (3"thick) was placed in two layers. A serious delay in the middle of the construction

period caused by the negotiation by the State Highway Department for the supplier of the Hot Top surface material, caused some of this work on Nashua street to occur during a period when we had to do other work of the general maintenance nature, and the result has been that some grading work which should have been finished in the fall, will not have been completed until early in the spring of 1956.

By doing this work with town forces, certain savings were made, in that, the engineering fees, ordinarily charged by the State Highway Department, were not used, as the engineering was provided by the town. There were additional savings, in that the town did not have to make the extensive repairs necessary to keep this road in condition, until such time as the state might re-construct it in conjunction with their 101A program. In addition to this, local contractors, truckers, and workmen were used wherever possible and of the money spent, a large share stayed in the local community. The actual construction costs compare favorably with those prices being currently bid in this section of the State of New Hampshire.

Your Superintendent, however, would like to point out at this time, that it is not the general policy of the Public Works Department to undertake construction projects of this magnitude. The man-power and equipment presently available to the department is designed to provide a maintenance force which is also able to handle simple construction of secondary type roads, culverts etc. The Nashua street project was undertaken only because of a set of circumstances which are not likely to occur again.

OILING

A normal oiling program was carried out during the past year and the following streets were given a light application of oil and sand as a surface treatment:

Emerson Road	1900 feet	Prospect Street	2588 feet
West Street	4488 feet	Mason Road	14000 feet

An experiment tried first in 1954, wherein certain gravel roads were given a dust layer of light-weight oil on hills, to prevent wash-outs and in front of homes to keep down the dust,

was continued in 1955. This application of oil was approximately one- tenth of a gallon to the square yard, and proved highly successful in keeping the gravel roads in good shape. The streets done under this program were: Mullen Road, Joslin Road, portion of Federal Hill Road, Osgood Road, Ponemah Hill Road, and a short strip on Ball Hill Road.

These streets are not to be considered as "Black-topped" streets. This oiling was done only for the purpose mentioned above, and this surface will probably have to be treated each year, but the total cost of doing this is very small in comparison to the usual maintenance on these roads.

Due to the heavy front action last spring, many of our streets are in very poor condition and a large portion of the oiling money, this year, had to go toward preparing these streets so that they could properly receive the oil. The patching cost was very high in proportion to the total materials used..

With the work program to be laid out in 1956 and 1957, it is hoped that every street in town that has an oil or asphalt surface at the present time, will have once in four years received some sort of surface treatment. This type of program is essential if we are to maintain minimum conditions on our roads.

Sidewalks

Sidewalk work on Highland avenue was completed this year at locations of the property of Oliver Carleton, Harland Holt, Willard Head, John Richardson, Ralph Johnson and Luther Carlson. This work was done under contract to Harold Gautreau. Town forces, in addition to this, replaced hot-top sidewalk on the south side of the Oval, from the First National store to the corner of South street. This is a start of a "Work Program" designed to complete the restoration of the sidewalks in the business district and then, to continue replacement of existing sidewalks which are badly in need of corrective work.

Sewer Correction

Several changes were made in the Sewerage System in 1955.

Due to continuous trouble at the end of Spaulding street, an investigation was made and it was found that there was no man-hole at the end of the line. One was installed which will also make it easier to maintain this pipe.

During the construction of Nashua street, catch basins and manholes had to be adjusted to grade. The size of the drainage pipe underneath Mooreland street, at the corner of Union street was changed so that the "run-off" from this area would be faster.

Several catch basins and manholes were repaired.

Sewer Maintenance

Approximately twenty (20) sewer services were cleaned and stoppages removed. Four (4) streets required flushing to keep the sewerage flow adequate to clean the sewer; two (2) streets required complete cleaning to open them up, and various catch basins around the town were kept clean and cleared of debris during the rainy season.

Parks and Playgrounds

Work on parks and playgrounds, this year, was confined to minimum maintenance which consisted mostly of "mowing of Endicott park, Shepard park, the Oval and the Memorial on Union Street and the grassed area adjacent to the Episcopal church."

The "Diamond" on Shepard park was prepared for use of a softball league, although it could not be kept in as good shape as we would have liked, because of the extremely dry condition this summer and the shortage of water which would have been necessary to keep it wetted down and rolled.

Work on Endicott park was kept at a minimum this year because Endicott park is now essentially a playground area for the schools which are adjacent to it and the multiple activities cause

considerable damage to the park and no proper maintenance of the lawn areas could be maintained under these conditions. Loam placed on Shepard park in 1955 was re-graded and spread on the easterly end of the park where the gravel surface had begun to show through.

The playground area at the Pumping station on South St., adjacent to the Swimming Pool still remains unfinished. Because of the poor condition of this ground, much work needs to be done.

Town Hall and Other Buildings

In addition to the operation and regular maintenance of this building, there were certain improvements and emergency repairs.

a. Slate roof was removed from the easterly and a portion of the northerly part of the Town Hall roof, and replaced with heavy asphalt shingles as part of our Repair program.

b. Emergency repairs were made on leaking radiators, oil furnace, several door locks, certain windows which had started to come apart, and minor repairs to the plumbing.

c. \$564.23 was spent this year to start the gradual development of a manual zone heating system. Approximately 18 radiators were "valved" and "vented" so that the main hall and stair wells can be shut off from the rest of the building, manually, to allow the heating of the rest of the building without wasting the heat in the hall as was necessary in the past. The value of this change has already become evident as in the fall of 1955, even though the cold season started earlier than it had in the past few years, the oil requirements were less than that of the previous year. The replacement of the slate roof should be continued another year as there is still one section remaining to be repaired, and the corrections to the heating system should be continued so that the Banquet hall will be zoned off as the main hall is. Another correction will be necessary in the heating arrangement in the office space rented by the Kenmore Stamp Co., as additional radiation is necessary to maintain an average,

comfortable temperature, as required by the lease to Kenmore Stamp Co.

d. The Town Hall must also be painted in 1956 as it has been several years since this work was done, and the existing paint has been, and is, peeling badly, exposing the wooden surface to the weather, and if not done, the cost of replacement for the wooden window casings and wooden facings will become expensive.

OTHER BUILDINGS

There has been no change in the other buildings, principally those of the new Town Garage, and this garage has continued to prove a very satisfactory addition to the town plant.

Garbage

On April 3, 1953, a contract with Donald K. Holt was made for the "Collection of Garbage" and this contract will continue for a period of five (5) years at the rate of \$1200 annually. We are now in the fourth year of this contract and the collections are being made under regular schedule of two weekly collections in the summer and one weekly collection in the winter.

Information Booth

The Information Booth on Union Square was again operated under supervision of the Public Works department. James Race was in charge of the booth which operated from July 1st to September 5th, 1955.

The booth served 13,367 persons, representing 4,846 cars. These people came from all 48 of our United States, from all 10 provinces of Canada, and such other places as England, Puerto Rico, Alaska, and South America.

The State Planning and Development Board of the Monadnock Region and several other sources provided literature and maps with which the booth operated.

Building Inspection

<i>Permits Issued</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Approx. Cost</i>	<i>Fee</i>
New Dwellings	19	\$120,100 00	\$ 76 00
Additions and Alterations to Dwellings	10	13,800 00	16 50
Garages — Private	9	5,000 00	11 50
New Non-residential Buildings	3	55,000 00	26 50
Additions and Alterations to Non-residential Buildings	6	29,400 00	21 50
Small Buildings	3	1,400 00	3 50
TOTALS 1955	50	\$224,700 00	\$155 00
TOTALS 1954	50	\$380,770 00	\$135 25

Snow Removal

The Snow Removal account in 1955 was over-expended in the amount of \$1412.05. This was caused by several factors. In 1955, at town meeting time, approximately \$4000 of this account had already had been expended and the snow and ice season continued much later than in a normal year. Although the storms were small in terms of total accumulation of snow, they caused considerable difficulty by “icing” up and requiring many applications of sand and salt. The same condition is true at the year’s end when the cold season started much earlier than it has in the past few years, and required sanding and salting much earlier than expected.

When the salt was to be purchased for the winter season of 1955-56, a change was made from “bag” salt to “bulk” salt supply. This salt can be purchased much more cheaply, can be handled at unloading time for less money and distributed at less labor cost than the bag salt, although there may be losses due to “spoilage by caking,” these losses amount to only a small fraction of the total savings obtained by using the bulk salt.

Arrangements were made with McKay & Wright to use the railroad spur and sheds on West street so that the bulk salt cars could be brought in and unloaded from a bottom dump cement car at a minimum of labor expense. The salt is then loaded into a salt truck and is distributed by means of a newer

type of salt-dispenser, made by the town employees from a model being used by the State Highway Department for the distribution of this type of salt.

One of the major factors in changing to bulk salt was that the salt route is increasing yearly in size, chiefly because areas that were to be treated only on request in the past, have been complained about so much that it was found to be cheaper to include the work in the regular salt run and save repeated back-breaking to care for these danger spots. Therefore, the savings gained will not be in less money spent, but more service for the same price.

We find that we are getting a better distribution of the salt on the road for slightly less amount of salt for the same route for considerably less money by using this system. Approximately 40 tons of salt was purchased for an amount of \$580 and at the years end approximately 20 tons of this supply is still intact.

Town Dump

The 1955 appropriation for the Town Dump was increased by \$500, so that the care for the Dump, such as was given in the last six months of 1954, could be continued. This amount appears to be sufficient for the Dump needs as the Dump was re-graded and filled at regular intervals during the year and at such times as was necessary.

A second "dumping area", at a lower level was prepared at the easterly side of the Dump, at the road entrance to the town Pit. This was divided so that, at times when the smoke problem or the condition of the Dump at the top of the fill, made it impractical for people to use it, an auxiliary "dumping area" was available.

A municipal dump, in any location, is not a particularly attractive project. However, in using care in selecting proper time to burn the Dump and by constant re-grading and filling, it is possible to provide a "dumping area" which will not be too much of a nuisance to the neighborhood or to the townspeople using it.

Special Activities

OVAL HYDRANT

A new hydrant was placed on the southwesterly corner of the Oval this year with funds earmarked for this project from the 1954 appropriations.

Arrangements were made with the Pennichuck Water Works to use the necessary tapping equipment, and the local Public Works Department, completed the remainder of the job. Work was started at night so that the job could be completed with minimum interference with the heavy traffic around the Oval. Considerable delay was caused however as when the pipe was uncovered, it was discovered to have been laid directly on a heavy ledge deposit. As it was not possible to blast that close to the pipe without fracturing the pipe or causing damage to the storefronts adjacent to the work, the ledge was removed by breaking away portions of the ledge by use of hand tools and pneumatic hammers. Additional ledge was encountered in the trench leading from the main pipe to the location of the hydrant on the Oval, and the work unfortunately was completed in the midst of the afternoon traffic.

Sewer Construction

The 1955 Town Meeting appropriated funds to construct six sanitary sewers in four general locations. These were Union and Mooreland Streets, North Street, Souhegan and Border Streets and Spruce Street. Because of the lateness of the time of the year and the time required to make engineering studies for contract plans and specifications for these sewers, it was decided that Public Works crews would construct these sewers. The following work was done:

On Union St., approx.	1100 ft. of 8" Asbestos cement sewer pipe.
On Mooreland St., approx.	400 ft. of 8" Asbestos cement sewer pipe.
On North St., approx.	569 ft. of 8" Clay sewer pipe.
On Souhegan St., approx.	760 ft. of 8" Clay sewer pipe.
On Border St., approx.	476 ft. of 8" Clay sewer pipe.
On Spruce St., approx.	674 ft. of 8" Asbestos cement sewer pipe.

The asbestos cement sewer pipe used on these projects was provided with a special rubber-sealed joint which is root-proof and infiltration proof. The clay pipe used on these projects was also a new pipe with plastic joint which went together without any hot-poured material. In general, the work on these sewers progressed as expected with the exception of Souhegan Street where, within the Souhegan Street itself, more ledge was encountered than was expected at this location, and this resulted in a loss of time, as the work progressed much slower through the areas containing ledge.

With the sewer pipe in the ground and the services connected, there still remains a certain amount of clean-up work which will be necessary to complete these projects. Therefore, the un-expended balance of Union Street, North Street and Souhegan Street have been ear-marked for use in 1956, for this purpose.

A financial breakdown of these Sewer projects is as follows:

UNION STREET SEWER —

Appropriation		\$6400.00
Expenses — Labor	\$1560.55	
Material	2865.52	
Equip. Rental	1537.19	
Other Exp.	176.86	
Total Expenses		6140.12
EARMARKED BALANCE		\$259.88

SOUHEGAN STREET SEWER —

Appropriation		6400.00
Expenses — Labor	1783.07	
Material	2273.01	
Equip. Rental	1971.50	
Other Exp.	168.95	
Total Expenses		6196.53
EARMARKED BALANCE		203.47

NORTH STREET SEWER —

Appropriation	3000.00	
Expenses — Labor	866.28	
Material	741.41	
Equip. Rental	865.75	
Other Exp.	131.76	
Total Expenses	2605.20	
EARMARKED BALANCE		394.80

SPRUCE STREET SEWER —

Appropriation	2800.00	
Expenses — Labor	269.62	
Material	1247.90	
Equip. Rental	540.81	
Other Exp.	23.85	
Total Expenses	2082.18	
UNEXPENDED BALANCE		717.82

JONES BRIDGE

An additional \$3900 was added, in 1955, to the ear-marked sum of \$1100 for the re-construction of Jones' bridge. This meant a total of \$5000 was available to repair this structure.

The additional money was requested so that a more permanent type bridge decking could be placed, than was originally contemplated. The old wooden planking was removed, the steel framework was scraped, repaired and painted, and a steel decking, manufactured by Armco Co. was then welded to the framework, and on this steel deck was placed a 2-inch Asphalt surface. This surface was placed by Roy Parker, under contract.

The over-expenditure (\$256.53) resulted from extensive repairs to the steel stringers at the southerly end of the bridge. When this bridge was uncovered and scraped down, it was discovered that the "stringers" at this end had been rusted through and a very small "stiffener" beam was all that was holding the whole end of the bridge up. This had to be repaired before the decking could be placed.

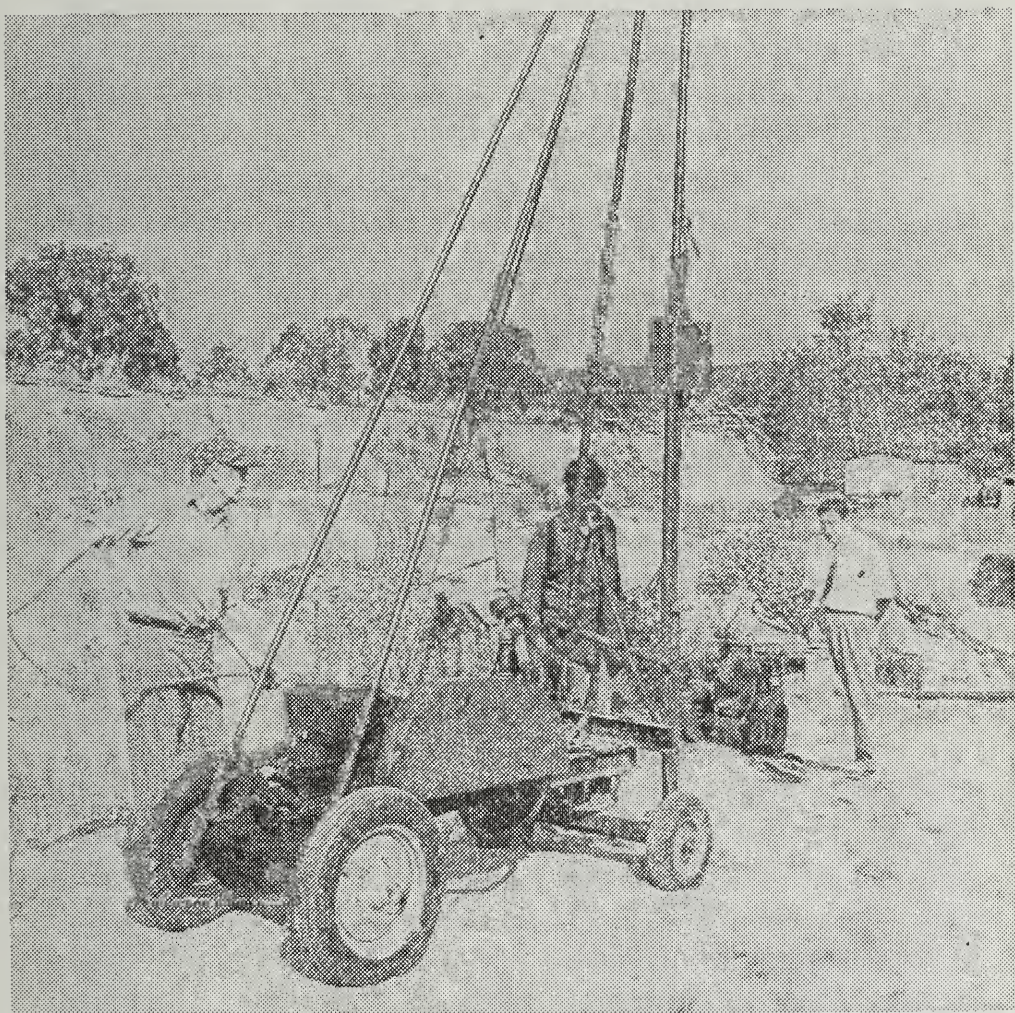
Both the appearance, the riding qualities and the strength of this bridge have been improved by this work.

Water Department

The Water Department in 1955 experienced considerable difficulty in providing the townspeople with water during the Summer months.

Our average daily flow per day reached as high as 673,000 gallons. The supply of water available in the brook or the wells was not adequate to continue pumping at such high rates and provide additional reserve for Fire Protection. The people were

Search for Water



Many test wells were put down in Milford last summer as engineers studied the town's water problem.

requested to restrict the use of water and not to water Lawns or Gardens until the supply of water increased again. The water supply further dwindled to such an extent that we were forced to pump directly from the brook behind the Pumping Station into the Filter system, and as the Filter system could not properly handle this volume of water safely, the State Department of Public Health advised the Public Works Department to notify the townspeople to boil their water for their protection, although at this time and at frequent intervals, the water was tested and found to be perfectly safe. It was the possibility of heavy contamination getting into the system during the test periods which caused the water to be boiled, as the time interval required in making a test on the water sample is approximately three days from the time that the sample is taken to the time that the answer is received.

By restricting water usage, the gallons per day used, dropped from 673,000 to about 400,000 per day. This reduction helped to provide a certain amount of Fire Protection but as the drought continued, the flow in the brook behind the Pumping Station decreased to such an extent that the Fire Department Pumper used at this location, had to have a hole dug in the bed of the brook to attempt to collect the last of the water coming down the stream bed. At this time, it was felt necessary to find additional emergency source of water. The only location chosen was that of Lovejoy's quarry. The Public Works Department rented some 6 inch aluminum irrigation pipe and a thousand-gallon-a-minute suction pump, built a raft and floated the pump and the pipe to the quarry outfall and discharged the water from the quarry down through natural channels into the existing brook where it found its way down to the Pumping Station. This was a relatively inefficient method as approximately 50 percent of the water pumped from the quarry was lost before it reached the Pumping Station. This operation was continued for approximately two weeks and the amount of "draw-down" in the quarry was about 12 feet. This provided enough water to fill the area behind the dam at the pumping Station and it was then possible to discontinue pumping from

the brook with the Fire Department Pumper as the wells themselves began to receive enough Water to supply the system, and the boiling of drinking water could cease.

The troubles which the Town experienced with the water system this year serve to point out more forcibly some of the recommendations contained in the Water Survey Report which was prepared for the Town this year, by the Engineering firm of Whitman and Howard of Boston. This Survey was authorized by the 1955 Town Meeting and the firm of Whitman and Howard was retained by the Selectmen and Water Advisory Committee to make the Survey as outlined in the 1954 report. This Survey report is contained at the end of the Water Report. This is a very serious problem and warrants careful consideration by the townspeople, particularly with reference to the tremendous amount of water being currently used by the people for Domestic use and the amount of water also necessary for Fire Protection. It is your Superintendent's sincere hope that something can be done in the near future to alleviate this Water Problem.

SERVICES

In 1955 there were eleven Water and Sewer combinations, six Water services laid, twenty-seven new Sewer services and twenty-one Water relays, a total of sixty-five services. The Water relays were in conjunction with the new construction on Nashua Street, continuing the Department's policy of placing new service pipe under all streets being re-constructed, particularly because of the old lead goose necks which break and cause considerable damage to the new construction.

WATER EXTENSIONS

During the past year there were guaranteed Water extensions put into service. On Elm Street, on Route 101, a 300 foot Water extension was placed from the end of the pipe near the Trombly Restaurant easterly to the location of a new Motel approximately 300 feet of 6 inch Asbestos cement pipe. On Park Street extension, from the end of existing pipe near the property of Hagar, southerly approximately 300 feet of 6 inch cast iron and asbestos cement pipe. Ogsood Road, from the end of the

existing pipe at Daniels southwesterly 120 feet of 6 inch cast iron pipe.

These extensions were financed out of regular Water Department operating funds.

RECORDS

Water Records of current operations are being kept up-to-date and some work is being started toward bringing some of the work done prior to 1946 up-to-date. One major change has been the starting of a Meter record system whereby the location, length of service, condition and accuracy of all our Water Meters can be kept track of. The compiling of these necessary Water Department Records from the past History of the Department, is necessarily a long process and only a little can be accomplished in any one year.

STATISTICS
Gallons of Water Pumped

	1954	1955
January	9,377,000	10,326,000
February	8,898,000	10,151,000
March	10,201,000	11,015,000
April	9,905,000	10,658,000
May	10,119,000	12,097,000
June	11,118,000	11,574,000
July	10,637,000	14,451,000
August	10,587,000	13,004,000
September	8,989,000	11,906,000
October	9,567,000	11,414,000
November	9,952,000	11,490,000
December	9,952,000	11,778,000
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Totals	118,963,000	139,854,000
	1954	1955
Average Gallons pumped Per Day	325,926	383,162
Maximum Day		
Aug. 25	511,000	
July 21		673,000
Minimum Day		
Feb. 27	79,000	
Feb. 27		230,000
Consumers (estimated)	4,136	4,156
Services December 31st	1,034	1,039
Services Repaired	5	6
Services Renewed	57	21
Hydrants December 31st	137	138
Water Main Feet Added	440	720

**MILFORD WATER WORKS
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET
DECEMBER 31, 1955 AND DECEMBER 31, 1954**

	Dec. 31, '54	Dec. 31, '55	Increase or Decrease
Plant Assets			
Land	\$ 6,435.48	\$ 6,435.48	
Structures, Pumping Station	7,115.52	7,115.52	
Water Supply Equipment	39,289.05	39,289.05	
Pumping Station Equipment	23,326.35	23,326.35	
Purification Equipment	28,046.52	28,046.52	
Distribution Mains	217,834.79	215,634.19	\$2,200.60
Services	5,047.57	5,047.57	
Hydrants	10,125.01	10,125.01	
Meters	22,539.99	21,511.65	1,028.34
Garage Equipment	2,394.00	2,394.00	
Other Distribution Equipment	3,409.37	3,409.37	
Other Equipment	9,798.53	9,490.03	308.50
	<u>\$375,362.18</u>	<u>\$371,824.74</u>	<u>\$3,537.44</u>
Current Assets			
Cash	\$ 940.15	\$ 1,988.39	*\$1,048.24
Materials — Supplies	8,700.48	9,126.38	*425.90
Current Receivables	9,530.74	7,523.54	2,007.20
	<u>\$ 19,171.37</u>	<u>\$ 18,638.31</u>	<u>\$ 533.06</u>
Miscellaneous Prepaid Accounts	1,667.16	2,540.72	*873.56
Total	<u>\$396,200.71</u>	<u>\$393,003.77</u>	<u>\$3,196.94</u>
Capital Liabilities			
Municipal Investment	\$183,340.55	\$179,840.55	\$3,500.00
Current Liabilities			
Notes Payable	48,000.00	52,500.00	*4,500.00
Reserves			
Reserve for Depreciation	180,055.56	173,072.53	6,983.03
Profit and Loss			
Profit and Loss	*15,195.40	*12,409.31	2,786.09
Total	<u>\$396,200.71</u>	<u>\$393,003.77</u>	<u>\$3,196.94</u>
*Decrease or Loss			

**MILFORD WATER WORKS
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
FOR TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1955**

Income			
Commercial Sales		\$28,899.58	
Hydrant Sales		2,800.00	
Merchandise Sales — Job Work	\$7,825.65		
Cost of Merchandise Sales — Job Work	7,420.97	404.68	
Total Income	-----	-----	\$32,104.26
Water Supply Expense			
Supervision	\$1,860.00		
Source of Supply — Labor	1,078.00		
Source of Supply — Maintenance and Expense	995.00		
Pumping Station — Labor	4,641.57		
Pumping Station — Supplies	496.33		
Pumping Station — Repairs and Maintenance	494.40		
Purification — Wages	394.51		
Purification — Supplies	237.38		
Power — Electricity	2,902.40		
Power — Diesel	213.11		
Water Supply Structure — Maintenance	1,073.56		
	-----	\$14,386.26	
Distribution Expense			
Supervision	\$1,860.00		
Repairs to Services	4,493.34		
Repairs to Hydrants	227.38		
Repairs to Meters	601.59		
Repairs to Mains	1,273.73		
Other Distribution — Expense	631.38		
Meter Reading Salaries	565.18		
	-----	9,652.60	
Other Expense			
Office Salaries	\$1,860.00		
Office Expense	378.68		
Telephone	135.95		
Commissioner's Salary	125.00		
Truck Expense	437.32		
Interest	931.51		
	-----	3,868.46	
Total Expenditures Before Depreciation	-----		27,907.32
Profit Before Depreciation			\$4,196.94
Depreciation			6,983.03

Loss After Depreciation			\$2,786.09

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Comparative State of Appropriations and Expenditures of Departments under
Milford Public Works for the Year Ending December 31, 1955

Name	Approp.	Income	Available	Balances	
				Expended	Unexpended Overdraft
Cemetaries	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 5,419.64	\$ 7,119.64	\$ 7,593.30	\$ 473.66
Carbage	1,225.00		1,225.00	1,210.08	14.92
Highway maintenance	12,100.00	3,593.56	15,693.56	15,689.18	4.38
Highway Oiling	7,000.00	145.03	7,145.03	7,032.24	112.79
Information Booth	300.00		300.00	300.00	
Parks and Playgrounds	1,500.00	35.00	1,535.00	1,050.58	484.42
Public Works Administration	5,580.00	5,736.20	11,316.20	11,282.53	33.67
Sewer Correction	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,069.41	69.41
Sewer Maintenance	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00	
Snow Removal	9,000.00	108.29	9,108.29	10,520.34	
Sidewalk Construction	1,500.00		1,500.00	1,319.31	180.69
Town Buildings	7,000.00	4,920.30	11,920.30	11,132.27	788.03
Town Dump	1,000.00		1,000.00	996.43	3.57
Calculator	250.00		250.00	250.00	
Hydrant - Oval		600.00*	600.00	555.23	44.77
Safety Lights	300.00		300.00	287.80	12.20
Jones Bridge	3,900.00	1,100.00*	5,000.00	5,256.53	256.53
North St. Sewer	3,000.00		3,000.00	2,605.20	#394.80
Spruce St. Sewer	2,800.00		2,800.00	2,082.18	717.82
Souhegan St. Sewer	6,400.00		6,400.00	6,196.53	#203.47
Union St. Sewer	6,400.00		6,400.00	6,140.12	#259.88
TRA - A	729.50	1,588.42	2,317.92	3,367.91	***1,049.99
Nashua St. TRA - B	** 12,260.00	14,538.59	26,798.59	29,506.11	***2,707.52
	\$85,944.50	\$37,785.03	\$123,729.53	\$126,443.28	\$3,255.41
*Earmarked 1955			2,713.75		2,713.75
**Approp. from Parking Meter Fund, 1954-55-56			\$126,443.28	\$126,443.28	\$5,969.16
***Earned in 1955, Received Payment 1956					\$5,969.16
#Earmarked 1956					
North St. Sewer	\$394.80		Net Over-expended Balance		\$2,713.75
Union St. Sewer	259.88		1955 TRA - B Money, rec'd in 1956		-2,707.52
Souhegan St. Sewer	203.47		1955 TRA - A Money, rec'd in 1956		-1,049.99
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Total Earmarked	\$858.15		Available Balance		\$1,043.76
			Earmarked for 1956		-858.15
			Returned to General Fund		\$185.61

ENGINEERS' REPORT on MILFORD WATER SYSTEM

WHITMAN & HOWARD

Engineers

89 Broad Street

Boston, Mass.

December 12, 1955

Board of Selectmen

Milford, New Hampshire

Gentlemen:

In accordance with your request of March 18, 1955, we submit herewith our report on the present water system of the Town of Milford, New Hampshire, with proposed improvements.

POPULATION AND WATER CONSUMPTION

The population of the Town of Milford remained stable from 1910 to 1940. Since 1940 it has increased about 10 per cent to the present estimated population of 4,500.

The number of consumers has increased from 3,234 in 1946 to 4,136 in 1954. The number of services as of January 1, 1955, was 1,034.

The average daily consumption of water has increased from about 250,000 gallons per day in 1946 to about 330,000 gallons per day in 1954, and the month of July, 1955, averaged 478,000 gallons per day.

The maximum day's consumption has increased from about 460,000 gallons per day in 1946 to 673,000 gallons per day on July 21, 1955.

The average daily consumption has increased about 32 per cent in the past eight years, primarily because the number of consumers has increased 27 per cent. Historically, people have continuously increased their use of water so that even a static population will call for an increase in consumption. It would seem prudent to expect Milford's daily average consumption to keep increasing in the future and the supply works should provide for this increase. The population growth and rates of water consumption are shown on Plate I.

PRESENT SOURCE OF SUPPLY

The principal source of Milford's water supply is a group of three dug wells next to Great Brook on South Street. These wells are 25 feet in diameter and have a depth of 11 feet below the level of the brook. This supply has been inadequate in previous years. The extremely shallow depth is a good indication that this supply is of limited quantity, as dug wells of this type are usually 25 to 30 feet deep.

The water contains a high amount of iron (one part per million) and is filtered through a coke filter and a slow sand filter. Even with this treatment, the final effluent has an iron content of 0.4 parts per million, which is higher than is desirable for a water supply, as the maximum content of iron and manganese combined, normally approved by the State Department of Public Health, is 0.3 parts per million. Due to the limited capacity of the filters when consumption exceeds 250,000 gallons per day, it is necessary to by-pass the filters and mix the unfiltered water with the filtered water. During days of heavy consumption, more than fifty per cent of the water is not filtered, resulting in water with an excessive iron content being pumped into the distribution system.

It is apparent that the present dug well supply is very deficient in quantity and quality.

The dug well supply is supplemented by a gravel packed well located about 2,000 feet upstream. The well is extremely shallow for a well of this type, with only 12 feet of water with a static water level which corresponds to the level of the brook. An inspection of this well on June 2, 1955, showed that when the pump was placed in operation the water was drawn down to the bottom of the well immediately, and it was evident that the pump was discharging water and air. The well was tested August 16, 1955, by discharging all the water into a 55-gallon drum. The brook, at this time, had ample flow as a result of heavy rains, and water was flowing over the flashboards at the main pumping station. The well produced 28 gallons per minute with an 8-foot drawdown and with 3 feet of water remaining in the well.

These well supplies are unable to furnish sufficient ground water during the summer, and it has been the custom to sup-

plement the supply by storage of brook water in a small reservoir above Union Street and surcharging the well areas as required. During the fall drought of 1952 and also the summer drought of 1955, it was necessary to channel the brook water directly into the center dug well.

The summer of 1955 confirmed previous doubts of the adequacy of the existing sources during a drought. The present iron removal plant does not have sufficient capacity, even though the gravel well supply is made to by-pass the filtration plant and only the dug well supply is treated.

The necessity of treating and pumping the present supply results in a costly water. The annual cost of treating and pumping Milford's water has increased from about \$10,000 in 1946 to \$12,000 at the present time. The Town records show that the unit cost per million gallons for pumping and treating in 1954 was \$103.

PUMPING EQUIPMENT

The water from two of the dug wells is piped to the center well and a suction main leads from this center well to duplicate low lift electric driven pumps located in the basement of the pumping station. These pumps have a capacity of about 250 gallons per minute. They pump the dug well supply to the sprinklers on top of the coke filter. The gravel packed well supply is pumped directly to the sprinklers through a 6-inch pipe. No standby equipment is provided for these low lift pumps.

The water is distributed over the coke filter through sprinkler heads and flows by gravity down through the coke. A collection system then takes the water onto the slow sand filter and thence into the clear water well.

The high lift electric motor driven pump is located on the main floor and pumps the water from the clear water well into the distribution system. This pump has a capacity of 450 gallons per minute. A standby gasoline engine driven pump was installed in 1923. This is not operated and is of doubtful standby value. In 1938, a diesel engine driven pump was installed. This unit, which has a capacity of 700 gallons per minute (one million gallons per day) is operated at regular intervals and is a satisfactory standby.

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

Continuous improvements in the piping system have provided the central area of Milford with adequate quantities of water for both domestic and fire supply purposes. There are many other sections, however, that are very deficient in the quantity of water available for fire flow purposes.

The results of flow tests conducted by us on May 25 and 27, 1955, are shown in the following table:

	FLOW TESTS			
	Static Pressure	Residual Pressure	Flow	Flow Available at 20# Residual Pressure
Clinton St. and Nashua St.	91#	79#	440 g.p.m.	1150 g.p.m.
Next to last hydrant on Nashua St.	92#	6#	220 g.p.m.	200 g.p.m.
Town Common	83#	77#	750 g.p.m.	2700 g.p.m.
Amherst St. and Souhegan St.	89#	72#	540 g.p.m.	1160 g.p.m.
Hydrant on Dearborn St.		3#	290 g.p.m.	Hydrant wide open
Last hydrant on North St.				Less than 100 g.p.m.
Amherst St. and North St.	72#	41#	380 g.p.m.	500 g.p.m.
Amherst St. and Merrimack St.	73#	34#	380 g.p.m.	450 g.p.m.
Last hydrant on Amherst St.		5#	380 g.p.m.	Hydrant wide open
Next to last hydrant on Border St.	83#	59#	240 g.p.m.	400 g.p.m.
Last hydrant on Border St.		2#	240 g.p.m.	Hydrant wide open
Souhegan St. and Summit St.	88#	50#	190 g.p.m.	260 g.p.m.
Last hydrant on Souhegan St.		1¼#	190 g.p.m.	Hydrant wide open
V.F.W. home on Mont Vernon St.	85#	20#	570 g.p.m.	570 g.p.m.
Mont Vernon St. & North River Road	85#	11½#	570 g.p.m.	
Highland Ave. and Adams St.	57#	50#	730 g.p.m.	1830 g.p.m.
Summer St. and Adams St.		19#	730 g.p.m.	730 g.p.m.
Last hydrant on Summer St.		4¼#	350 g.p.m.	Hydrant wide open
Clinton St. and South St.	84#	78#	750 g.p.m.	2700 g.p.m.

Prospect St. near Gilson St.	58#		350 g.p.m.	Hydrant wide open (Gate valve evidently partially closed between Gilson St. & standpipe.)
Prospect St. near standpipe	36#	23#	810 g.p.m.	Hydrant wide open
Prospect St., 2nd hy- drant from standpipe	45#	13#	610 g.p.m.	Hydrant wide open
Elm St. and West St.	78#	53#	480 g.p.m.	750 g.p.m.
Elm St. at High School	87#	83#	480 g.p.m.	1750 g.p.m.
Elm St. at Rich- ardson's Crossing		16#	670 g.p.m.	Hydrant wide open
Elm St. at O.K. Tool Co. (Next to last hydrant)	76#	16#	500 g.p.m.	480 g.p.m.
West St. and Knight St.	80#	30#	240 g.p.m.	260 g.p.m.
West St. and Spaulding St.		2#	240 g.p.m.	Hydrant wide open
Osgood St. and Union St.	59#	32#	500 g.p.m.	620 g.p.m.
Osgood St. and West St.	77#	20#	500 g.p.m.	500 g.p.m.
Next to last hydrant on Osgood St.	62#	11#	360 g.p.m.	325 g.p.m.
First hydrant on Union St.	50#	3½#	310 g.p.m.	Hydrant wide open
Last hydrant on Union St.				Less than 100 g.p.m.
Union St. and George St.	79#	44#	580 g.p.m.	770 g.p.m.
Last hydrant on George St.			580 g.p.m.	Hydrant wide open

The New Hampshire Board of Underwriters recommend a flow of 2,000 gallons per minute with 20 pounds residual pressure in the business and mercantile districts of Milford. The actual available flow at the Town Common and at Clinton and South Streets is 2,700 gallons per minute. The recommended flow in outlying residential areas is 500 gallons per minute with 20 pounds residual pressure. The proposed improvements are designed to meet this recommendation.

Tests were conducted on the carrying capacity of the 6-inch pipe in Nashua Street and in Amherst Street. The results showed that these pipes have a "C" value of about 60. This means that for any flow the loss in pressure will be about four times the loss in new cement lined cast iron pipe or in asbestos-cement pipe and the carrying capacity has decreased 50 per cent.

These results are about what are to be expected from the action of corrosive water on unlined cast iron pipe and are in line with results in other New England water systems.

The following areas are very deficient in the quantity of water available for fire protection:

Nashua Street has a flow of only 200 gallons per minute or less than one hose stream at the Town Line. It will be necessary to install 10,500 feet of new 10-inch and 8-inch pipe in Nashua Street from South Street via Clinton Street to the Town Line.

The hydrant on Dearborn Street has less than one hose stream available and North Street has a flow of only 100 gallons per minute, or less than half a hose stream. An 8-inch pipe from the 10-inch pipe at Adams Street, down Dearborn Street and up Amherst Street to North Street, with new 6-inch pipe in North Street, will not only improve the fire flows in the adjoining area, but it will also improve fire flows in the center of Milford.

Souhegan Street has a flow of 190 gallons per minute at Border Street. The 4-inch line from the vicinity of Chestnut Street to Border Street should be replaced with 1,500 feet of 6-inch pipe. The short piece of 4-inch pipe on Chestnut Street, between Amherst Street and Orchard Street, should be replaced with 200 feet of 6-inch pipe.

Border Street has a flow of 240 gallons per minute available at the last hydrant. If the last hydrant on Amherst Street is connected with a 6-inch pipe to the last hydrant on Border Street, not only will the quantity of water available for fire flows be increased, but the existing dead ends will be eliminated.

A new hydrant should be installed at Merrimack Street and Border Street in order that this area will be furnished with fire flows through the existing 6-inch pipe.

The hydrant at the corner of Summer Street and Adams Street has an available flow of 730 gallons per minute. This flow could be more than doubled if the hydrant were connected to the 10-inch pipe instead of the 4-inch pipe.

The hydrant at Spring Street and Myrtle Street has only one hose stream available for a fire. This hydrant should be moved to the 12-inch pipe at Spring Street and Granite Street.

The hydrant at Mont Vernon Street and Granite Street has an available flow of 785 gallons per minute. If this hydrant were connected to the 12-inch pipe, the available fire flow would be almost doubled.

The flow tests indicate that a gate valve must be closed on Prospect Street between the hydrant at Gilson Street and the next hydrant toward the standpipe.

The West Street area is very deficient in fire flows. One hose stream is available at West Street and Knight Street. The flow at the last hydrant on Spaulding Street is negligible. The proper method to strengthen this area will depend on the location of the supply main for the proposed additional water supply. The minimum requirements will be an 8-inch pipe from the 12-inch pipe at the High School, down Elm Street to West Street, and down West Street to the beginning of the existing 6-inch cement lined pipe near Spaulding Street (3,400 feet from the High School to Spaulding Street).

The existing pipe on West Street is not connected through to Osgood Road, as a section of West Street has no water pipe. Closing this gap of 2,000 feet will greatly increase fire flows and will eliminate two dead ends.

A new pipe in Elm Street, from the High School to West Street, will also greatly improve fire flows in Elm Street.

The last hydrant on Union Street has a negligible fire flow of less than 100 gallons per minute or less than half a normal hose stream. This pipe should be replaced with 2,600 feet of 8-inch pipe.

Eventually the 8-inch pipe from the High School to South Street should be replaced with a 12-inch pipe.

These improvements are shown on Plate II.

ESTIMATES OF COST FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, ETC.

These estimates include pipe line, road resurfacing, ledge, engineering, supervision of construction and an allowance for contingencies.

1. Nashua Street — Clinton Street	\$70,000
2. Souhegan Street — Chestnut Street — Amherst Street	\$12,700

3. Dearborn Street — North Street — Amherst Street	\$21,800
4. Union Street	\$17,200
5. West Street — Spaulding Street	\$20,000
6. West Street (2,000-foot gap between Spaulding Street and Osgood Street)	\$10,400

STORAGE

Water is stored in two standpipes located on opposite sides of the Town. The original standpipe, located off Prospect Street, has a diameter of 25 feet, is 70 feet high, and has a capacity of 250,000 gallons.

A second standpipe, 50 feet in diameter, 35 feet high, and with a capacity of 500,000 gallons, is located off Summer Street.

The New Hampshire Board of Underwriters recommend a storage capacity of 960,000 gallons.

The total storage of 750,000 gallons is about twice the daily average consumption and is more than the maximum day.

The pumping station is located relatively close to the Prospect Street standpipe. In order to fill the Summer Street standpipe, it would be necessary to raise the hydraulic grade line above the top of the tank. This would result in overflowing the Prospect Street standpipe before the Summer Street standpipe is filled.

In order to fill the Summer Street standpipe from the existing pumping station, it will be necessary to install an altitude valve, check valve and gate valves on the 10-inch line to the Prospect Street standpipe. This should not be done until the location of a new water supply is determined, since with a well supply in the Elm Street area or with a new reservoir on Tucker Brook, it will not be required.

NEW SOURCE OF SUPPLY

It is apparent that Milford needs a new water supply. There are two possible sources of water supply in the Milford area. Well testing during the fall of 1955 indicates that a ground water supply might be obtained in the Richardson Crossing area in West Milford between Elm Street and the Souhegan River.

The alternate to a ground water supply would be a surface supply. Suitable sites for a dam and reservoir that will furnish

water by gravity are often difficult to locate. Either they have been pre-empted by others or the reservoir areas have been developed to such an extent that land damage and road relocation would make such a project economically unfeasible. Milford is very fortunate in possessing an ideal location for a dam and reservoir on Tucker Brook in West Milford about one mile from Elm Street.

RESULTS OF WELL TESTING FOR A GROUND WATER SUPPLY

Testing on the north side of Souhegan River, between the River and North River Road, showed there was little chance of finding a suitable location and materials to make a good gravel packed well.

At Location No. 1, on the Henderson Farm, three wells were driven, but the depth to hardpan or ledge was shallow and no water was found.

At Location No. 2, the Town gravel pit and in the field 400 feet back of it, two wells were driven; one to 81'-8" and the other to 61'-10". Much fine sand was encountered and the yield was far from sufficient.

At Location No. 3, on the Norwell Farm, three wells were driven. Although depths of 44'-6", 55'-4" and 44'-4" were reached before refusal, little to no water was encountered.

Tests made on the south side of Souhegan River, between the River and Elm Street, indicate favorable conditions for wells. A good flow of water was obtained from the following wells on the Savage Farm and in the Pine Grove adjacent to the Savage Farm. At Location No. 4 there was a good flow of water at Wells Nos. 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 21. It would not be advisable to think of developing a gravel packed well at Nos. 10, 11 or 12, because of the iron content of the water. In the case of No. 11, the iron content is above that allowable for water by the State Department of Health, and Nos. 10 and 12 are too near to the acceptable limit of 3/10 parts per million. It would appear from these preliminary tests that satisfactory gravel packed wells could be built at Nos. 9, 13 and 21 in Location No. 4.

At Location No. 6, the next land west of the Savage pasture, three wells were driven. No. 18 well struck a boulder at 12 feet and had to be pulled out. No. 19 had a good flow of water but

should not be considered for a site for a gravel packed well because of high iron content of water. It appears that a satisfactory gravel packed well might also be built at No. 20.

At Location No. 5, across the highway from the Savage Farm, four wells were driven. Ledge was found to be near the surface. These locations are not satisfactory for gravel packed wells.

In summary, it appears from these preliminary tests that satisfactory gravel packed wells could be built at sites of Test Wells Nos. 9, 13, 20 and 21 that would yield water of good quality. Any one of these sites would apparently yield over a half million gallons a day. Gravel packed wells should not be built at any site until a group of wells are driven and at least an eight-day pumping test made and continued until the draw-down (water level as observed in surrounding test wells) became stabilized. The capacity of each well, the well field and the quality of the water could then be definitely established.

In order to supply the summer consumption rate, it will be necessary to construct two gravel packed well supplies. Each well would have a capacity of 500,000 gallons per day. Each station would contain an electric motor driven pump with a gasoline engine for standby power, together with necessary meters, gauges, heating, etc.

The static pressure in this area is about 86 pounds per square inch. In order to keep the additional pumping pressure at a reasonable amount, it will be necessary to install a new 12-inch main in Elm Street from the pumping stations to the existing 12-inch main near the High School. The greater part of this pipe would be laid in the shoulder of the road, but 3,200 feet would be laid under the paved surface.

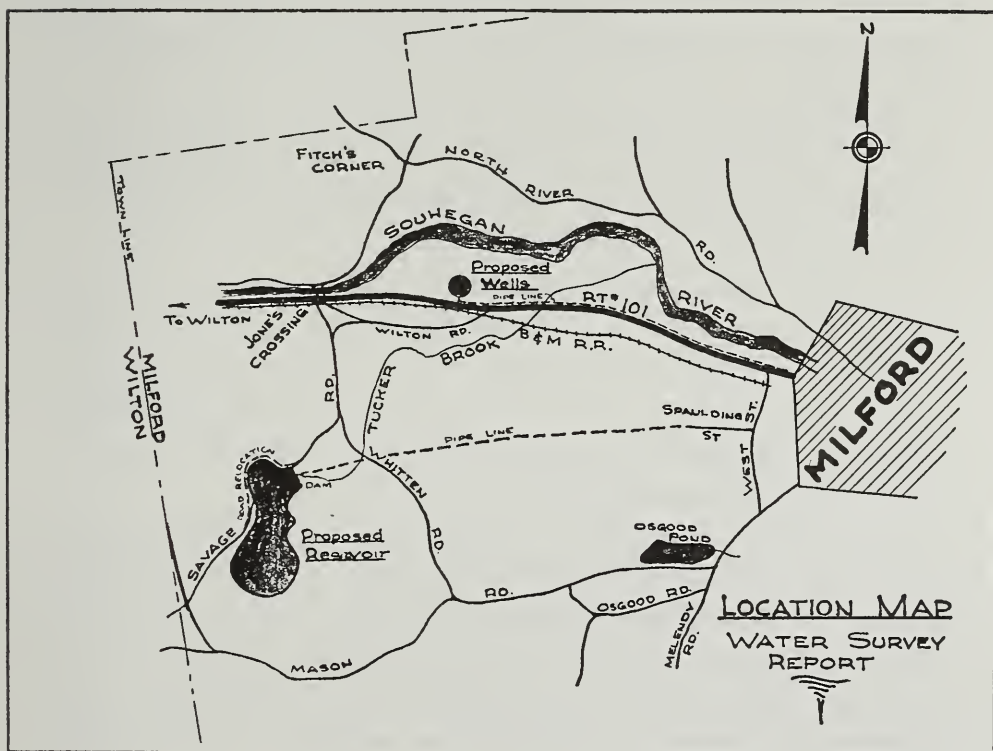
ESTIMATE OF COST OF A WELL SUPPLY

Two gravel packed wells, pumping stations, electric motor driven turbine pumps with standby gasoline engines, controls, meters, etc., pipe line, road resurfacing, ledge, engineering, supervision of construction, allowance for contingencies, etc.	\$195,000
To the above must be added the cost of land damage.	

TUCKER BROOK RESERVOIR SITE

An excellent surface supply may be obtained by constructing a dam and reservoir on Tucker Brook in West Milford, about one mile from Elm Street. The drainage area above the site contains 2.65 square miles and it can be developed, by providing adequate storage, to produce a safe yield of two million gallons per day during the driest period on record. The elevation of the flow line will be determined by economically balancing the relative costs of the dam and spillway, but it will be about elevation 455.

The safe yield of a drainage area is determined by runoff records of comparable areas which are of over fifty years' duration. It is seldom that a stream will supply the safe yield of the drainage area during the summer period, and in fact there will be many times when streams similar to Tucker Brook will have no flow. The required storage to provide for drought periods is determined by the difference between the desired rate of consumption and the lowest stream flow on record. It is thus possible to develop a drainage area for various safe yields with corresponding amounts of storage. The average



economical development in New England is based on a safe yield or draft of 750,000 gallons per day, per square mile. It is also necessary to provide storage for evaporation from the surface of the reservoir. This amount depends on the area of the water surface and is usually taken to be 40 inches of evaporation per year.

The dam would be about 45 feet high and 400 feet long and would be an earth fill dam with a concrete core wall. Four preliminary test pits dug by the Department of Public Works indicate satisfactory foundation conditions. The upstream face would be paved with stone and the downstream face would be loamed and seeded. The intake chamber would be able to take water from three different levels and provision would be made to waste water down Tucker Brook.

The reservoir would hold about 500 million gallons and would furnish a safe yield of two million gallons per day during the driest period on record.

A 16-inch supply main will be laid along the bank of Tucker Brook to a proposed chlorination building on Whitten Road. From the chlorination building, a 12-inch main will be laid through a right-of-way to Spaulding Street and thence along West Street and Elm Street to the existing 12-inch main at the High School.

It will be necessary to relocate about 4,000 feet of Savage Road. We understand that Savage Road is entitled to State Aid monies and that it could be relocated and reconstructed with a minimum of cost to the Town.

The sill of the Savage farmhouse on the east side of Savage Road will be about 4 feet above the proposed reservoir level, and the barn will be in the flooded area. The house, barn, etc., should be acquired by the Town. In general, the flooded area consists of second growth wood with some open area near the above-mentioned farmhouse.

The Prospect standpipe is usually filled to elevation 468 and the Summer Street standpipe to about elevation 463, although their overflows are at elevation 470. With a spillway level of 455, the proposed reservoir will not fill the standpipes.

Under the usual manner of operating a "pumped" water supply, it is necessary to depend on storage to furnish peak

water demands. This means that the water level in the standpipes will drop 15 feet or more during times of peak consumption so that, as a practical matter, this lower level determines the normal pressure gradient during the daytime hours.

Static pressures taken during the flow tests indicate that the pressure gradient at Highland Avenue and Adams Street was elevation 449, during the afternoon of Wednesday, May 25, 1955. It would appear that a reservoir will result in maintaining the existing daytime pressures.

The new supply main from the reservoir will furnish an additional flow of 2,500 gallons per minute into the distribution system in the High School area on Elm Street, which will more than make up for the decreased storage in the standpipes.

For the immediate future, the pressure loss in the new supply main will be about two pounds. Future growth and increased consumption will almost automatically go hand in hand with new connections to the industrial area in West Milford and the Mason Road-Osgood Road sections, thus giving several loops from the reservoir to the Town proper and furnishing ample fire flows to the entire south and west areas of the Town.

ESTIMATE OF COST OF A SURFACE SUPPLY

Dam, reservoir, chlorinating house, pipe line, road resurfacing, ledge, engineering, supervision of construction, allowance for contingencies, etc.	\$375,000
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To the above must be added the cost of real estate damages and easements.

CONCLUSION

Water Supply

The estimated construction cost (not including cost of real estate) of a surface supply is \$375,000 against the construction cost of \$195,000 (not including real estate) for a well supply. If the well supply is constructed, it will be necessary to lay additional new pipe in West and Spaulding Streets at a cost of \$20,000, and the original standpipe on Prospect Street will have to be replaced in the near future at a cost of \$50,000. For comparative purposes then, a new well supply will eventually cost

about \$265,000. Based on a daily average consumption of 500,000 gallons per day, the power costs for a well supply will be about \$4,000 per year.

From a financial standpoint, the choice between the two sources of supply is one of a substantial investment today with an eventual low cost water supply of two million gallons per day as against a smaller investment today with a high cost water in the future of \$8,000 yearly pumping charges based on pumping a million gallons daily.

The initial cost of the surface supply over the well supply will be about \$190,000. Based on a 30-year bond and an interest rate of 3 per cent, the additional financial charges the first year will be \$6,300 for principal payments and \$5,700 for interest payments. This total payment of \$12,000, less the power, heating, and operating charges of \$5,000 for a well supply, will result in an additional cost of \$7,000 the first year, which must be obtained from water rates or taxes. Based on the December 31, 1954, valuation of \$6,314,330, this would be equivalent of 11 cents per \$100 of valuation.

If the cost of additional pipes in West Street and Spaulding Street and the cost of replacing the Prospect Street standpipe are included, the additional cost of the surface supply will be the equivalent of 4 cents per \$100 of valuation.

These differences in costs will decrease each year as the interest costs diminish.

Of course, if Milford's average daily consumption approaches two million gallons per day, the well supply would become quite costly, as it will require six wells rated at 500,000 gallons per day to handle the maximum day for a daily average of two million gallons.

Distribution

The North Street, Union Street and Spaulding Street areas are deficient in water available for fire flows and should be reinforced at once. The Nashua Street, Dearborn Street and Souhegan Street areas have inadequate fire flows and should be improved as finances of the Water Department permit. Closing the gap in West Street will complete a loop in this section and greatly improve the flows in the West Street, Osgood Street and Union Street areas.

Certain hydrants should be relocated, as indicated in this report.

Financial Study

Based on a 30-year bond issue of \$400,000 for a surface supply, the first yearly payment on the principal and interest will be about \$25,300. After deducting the present water supply expense of \$12,000, the net yearly increase in the cost of water will be \$13,300. This cost will decrease \$400 each year as the bonds are retired.

If hydrant rentals are increased to \$50.00 per hydrant, the additional revenue will be about \$5,000 per year. If the water rates are increased 33 per cent, the additional revenue will be over \$9,000 per year based on 1954 figures. Present indications are that 1955 revenue has increased considerably and the rate increase would be correspondingly less.

Based on a 30-year bond issue of \$210,000 for a ground water supply, the first yearly payment on the principal and interest will be \$13,300. After deducting the present water supply expense of \$12,000 and allowing \$5,000 for power, heating and operating expense, the net yearly increase in the cost of water will be \$6,300. This cost will decrease \$210 each year as the bonds are retired.

If hydrant rentals are increased by \$4,000 per year and water rates are increased 9 per cent, the revenue will be sufficient to meet the additional costs.

The above bond issue estimate includes approximate real estate and other miscellaneous costs.

The amount of the hydrant rental and the rate increases are used only to give a reasonable picture of the necessary financing to construct a water supply.

RECOMMENDATIONS

We recommend that the Town proceed immediately to construct a new water supply.

The selection of water supply is basically a decision as to the amount of money Milford wishes to expend at this time to take care of the immediate future as against the long term investment to provide for the growth in population and industry with corresponding increases in water consumption.

We believe this decision is rightly one for the townspeople to make, and we would like to indicate some of the advantages of each. We do wish to state, however, that in our opinion a surface supply is the appropriate solution.

The ground water supply would have the advantage of furnishing an adequate amount of water for the immediate future with a minimum of initial cost. A new 12-inch pipe in Elm Street will increase fire flows in West Milford, but, as there is a new 8-inch cement lined cast iron pipe in Elm Street, the resultant benefits to the distribution system would be minor.

The surface supply on Tucker Brook will assure Milford of an excellent water supply of good quality and ample quantity for many generations to come. The supply will be dependable at all times and will not be subject to power failures or standby engines. Another section of Milford will have water available for expansion and development. The initial cost of the supply is not excessive and future generations will be assured of a very low cost water.

We recommend that the Town set up a program to gradually improve the distribution system, as outlined in this report. This should be correlated with a street rebuilding program, sewerage and drainage extensions, etc.

Respectfully submitted,

WHITMAN & HOWARD, ENGINEERS
By Roger Disken

PROTECTION

of Persons and Property

Reports of

- FIRE DEPARTMENT
- POLICE
- MUNICIPAL COURT
- CIVIL DEFENSE



Fire Department

The department answered 97 calls during 1955, of which 16 were bell alarms, 5 were brush fire calls and 76 were still alarms.

Service Record:

Grass and Brush Fires	18
Chimney Fires	14
Oil Burners	10
Automobile	6
Town Dump	13
Electrical Equipment	5
Rescue and Emergency	5
Sawdust Pile	2
Smoke and Fire Investigation	4
Building	11
Supply B & M Engine with Water	1
Use of Extension Ladders	2
False Alarms	1
Mutual Aid	2
Wood Pile	1
Gasoline	1
Motorcycle	1

Fire Loss and Other Details

Number of hours Department was in service	50 hours
Brush Fire Loss	about TWO acres
Fire Loss covered by Insurance	\$2,919.00
No. of feet of ladders raised	414 ft.
No. of feet 2½ inch Hose laid	3,100 ft.
No. of feet 1½ inch hose laid	1,300 ft.
No. of Company Drills	36
No. Burning Permits issued	360

Manual Force and Apparatus

Engine No. 1 — 1949 American LaFrance 500 g.p.m. Pumper
Engine No. 2 — 1953 American LaFrance 500 g.p.m. Pumper
Engine No. 3 — 1940 Dodge 500 g.p.m. Pumper
Engine No. 4 — 1929 G.M.C. American LaFrance

Now used as an emergency vehicle, equipt with 14 ft. Aluminum Boat and rescue equipment.

Ladder No. 1 — 1930 G.M.C. Providence 150 g.p.m. Pumper

Engine No. 1 and 3 equipped with Short Wave Radio

Engine No. 2 equipped with portable Short Wave Radio

Engine No. 4 was used at the pumping station last summer to assist in maintaining the level and pressure of the water in the Standpipe.

Financial Statement

Appropriation	\$10,700.00
Income	236.80
	-----\$10,936.80

Expenditures:

Steward	\$ 356.00
Station Labor	59.06
Pay Roll	6,638.36
Telephone	167.30
Repairs	265.91
Office Supplies	175.66
Station Supplies	98.20
Gas and Oil	233.26
New Equipment	1,531.46
Alarm System	413.31
Prevention	320.96
Brush Fires	189.87
Grass Fires	19.58
Water Holes	192.00
Still Alarms	235.50
	----- \$10,896.43

Unexpended Balance \$40.37

Forest Fires:

We are pleased to report that our woodland fire loss was approximately TWO acres, which is the lowest in many years. CAUTION is an important watchword to keep the loss at a low figure.

Loss resulting from a fire of large proportions may run into several thousand dollars. Your continued cooperation in reporting suspicious smoke or fire immediately will be earnestly received.

New Equipment:

The Arthur L. Keyes Memorial Trust has been very kind in donating to the town for emergency use by the Fire and Police Departments, a Dual Emerson Resuscitator. This machine is used to assist in reviving people who have met with such accidents as drowning, shock, or suffocation. This will replace the one we now have which is over twenty five years old.

New equipment also includes a 500 watt hand light, two new fog nozzles, a coat and boot rail and a supply of 1½ inch and 2½ inch hose.

Fire Prevention and Training:

We are quite concerned about the two broken hydrants that have been out of order for the past three to six months. Hydrants are like any emergency machine, the time they are needed is not predetermined.

During Fire Prevention week Home Fire Folders were distributed, store window display installed and a short film was shown at the theatre.

Kenneth Wheeler gave the Department the use of a house on his property for training, and to be finally destroyed. Men in the training group had a chance to try out fog nozzles, and see what could be accomplished with the use of fog on interior fires.

Practice drills included Oil Pit fires, out of order hydrants, in problem fires, and the use of water holes.

Home owners are again reminded that ALL new Oil Burner installations require a permit from the Fire Chief. Due to the ever increasing cost of material and supplies it becomes necessary to make a small charge for the refilling of Fire Extinguishers this year.

Appreciation:

We wish to express our thanks for the splendid cooperation and interest of the department personnel who have spent many hours in training and fighting fires.

We also wish to thank the State, regular and auxiliary police, Telephone and Public Service companies, Public Works, Selectmen's office, and all who assisted us through the year.

PAUL N. HUTCHINSON,
EDGAR A. NORWOOD,
RAYMOND A. DYER,
Board of Firewards.

Be A Good Citizen — Cooperate

Smoking and debris burning caused more than 50 percent of the forest fires occurring in the state of New Hampshire in 1955 — 235 fires out of a total of 463 originated from these two sources. Lighted smoking material and matches thrown from moving vehicles along the highway or dropped by fishermen, hunters, hikers, berry and flower pickers accounted for 26 percent; debris burning in the wrong place or at the wrong time by those who failed to heed all pleas for safety or refused to recognize the logical, sensible rules and regulations set up under legislative authority governing the use of fire in or near woodlands accounted for more than 24 percent. This is inexcusable.

Everything possible is being done officially to remedy the situation. Since 1909 there has been a statute on our law books which requires everyone to secure written permission from the local forest fire warden before starting a fire in or near woodlands or where fire can be communicated to woodlands, unless the ground is covered with snow. A never ending program of educational work is being carried on by your local warden and state officials to inform the general public both of the value and necessity of securing the required permit for such burning. Much progress has been made, but there are still many who fail or refuse to cooperate. The value of our permit system was definitely proven in this district during the 1955 calendar year. Local wardens issued 1621 permits for debris burning fires. That's a lot of permits. The record show only 8 permit fires got out of control. This proves several things — while wardens were liberal in the issuance of fire permits, accomodating every applicant so far as possible, they were cautious, following closely directives outlining overall policy governing the issuance of burning permits and thoroughly instructing permit users. The latter, too, fully appreciated their responsibility in using their permits, governed themselves accordingly. Result? Much burning done legally and safe.

But what of the smokers? Despite all the efforts of those officially charged with the responsibility of preventing fires, too many were careless or thoughtless in disposing of smoking material and matches. Why? It is difficult to say. Autos are now equipped with ash trays. Why not use them. The crushing out of a cigar, cigarette and the complete extinguishment of matches before being discarded is an easy chore.

If the costly habits of the careless and indifferent smoker and debris burner could be overcome, more than half of our annual forest fires would be eliminated. WILL YOU do YOUR share to bring this about?

Remember

1. Get a written permit from your local warden before starting your debris burning or camp fire. The law requires it.
2. Make certain they are dead out before leaving them.
3. Become a safe smoker by extinguishing smoking material and matches before discarding them.

Be A Good Citizen — Cooperate

Number of local fires	1
Number of acres burned	2
Number of permits issued	63

GUY O. HOLLIS

District Fire Chief

Police Department



Year Ending 1955

It gives me pleasure to report that we have had no fatal motor vehicle accident the past four years.

TRAFFIC SCENE

Traffic accidents	115
Persons injured	9

We Americans prize our freedom, including our freedom to drive where and when we please, but freedom always has its price in individual responsibility. Dollars and statistics alone cannot count the full cost of traffic accidents. The balance sheet and the calculating machine cannot measure the grief of parents whose child has run heedlessly into the street or the tragedy which falls upon a family when a member is killed or injured. It is the duty of every responsible citizen to strive for traffic safety as a driver and a pedestrian.

AUXILIARY POLICE

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to Auxiliary Chief Angelo Bernasconi and his men for valuable service rendered during the past year during our Civil Defense alerts, during parades and other occasions whenever needed.

SCHOOL SAFETY PATROL

I wish to express my gratitude to the school authorities and members of the student traffic patrol for their generous cooperation in the Safety Patrol program. It is gratifying that we in Milford have such a well organized and efficient safety patrol organization.

BICYCLES

During the past year 375 bicycles were licensed in accordance with the Town Ordinance.

JUVENILE PROBLEMS

Offenses committed by juveniles have shown a considerable decrease during the past year. During 1955 ten minors were questioned in connection with offenses committed and with one Juvenile Court hearing during the past year. Only three Milford youths were involved in offenses committed. The other seven were from other communities.

It is the duty of the Police to try and prevent the juvenile delinquent from ever being sent to a reform school, and to prevent the reform school graduate from ever going to the state prison. The police work therefore is prevention and rehabilitation rather than primarily punishment.

We are fortunate in having in our community trained personnel to assist the police in a job more complex than ever before. The splendid cooperation of our Municipal Court combined with the efforts of the State Probation Department, Clergymen, school authorities and other people interested in the conservation of our youth have contributed a great deal to those juvenile problems that have required solving by rehabilitation rather than punishment.

In conclusion I wish to thank the Honorable Board of Selectmen, the presiding Justice and Associate Justice of the Milford Municipal Court for the aid and cooperation given me this past year. I am also grateful to the Fire Chief for assistance rendered to me and the Police Department. I wish to express my sincere appreciation to other Town Officials for their assistance throughout the year also to the State police for their splendid cooperation with this department and for the generous help given by the two State Officers living in Milford.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT YEAR ENDING 1955

AUTOMOBILE INVESTIGATIONS

Auto accidents reported and investigated	115
Allowing improper person to operate	4
Driving under influence	6
Driving after revocation of license	1
Driving unregistered motor vehicle	2
Driving over yellow line	8
Driving after license expired	1
Driving after suspension of license	1
Driving without license	2
Financial responsibility law	2
Failing to stop at stop sign	4
Leaving scene of accident	4
Motor vehicle violation warnings given	160
Misuse of registration plates	1
Negligent operating	9
Rotary violation	1
Speeding	40
Stolen cars recovered	4
Violation of Town Traffic Ordinances	3
Taking car without authority	2

OTHER INVESTIGATIONS

Assaults	1
Aid rendered	86
Articles reported lost	36
Articles returned to owner	17
Articles held for safe-keeping	55
Amount of lost money returned to owner	\$180.05
Assistance rendered at fire	5
Bastardy	1
Bicycles reported missing	3
Burglary investigations	6
Complaints received	585
Deaths investigated	4
Disorderly conduct	2
Drunk	2
Door found unlocked	218
Delinquent dog taxes for collection	45
Dogs recovered for owners	21
Dogs killed by motor vehicles	12
Dog complaints	169
Dead cats	10

Investigations for other departments	11
Juvenile petitions	1
Juvenile investigations	8
Juvenile questioned in connection with complaints	10
Lewd and lascivious	1
Larceny investigations	24
Lodgers	14
Lights out in business places	51
Mental cases	3
Miles travelled	27,000
Missing persons	16
Non-support	1
Offenders held for other departments	29
Police escort by request	184
Road hazards reported	33
Street lights out	135
Safe-keeping	15
Sunday licenses distributed	39
Summons issued	80
Suppression of disturbances	19
Vacant house inspection	16

PARKING METERS

Parking meters in operation	126
Meter collections made	51
Money taken to Bank	51
Meter forfeits	942
Parking meters found out of order from January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955	211

Civil Defence

The Civil Defense organization in Milford is in good condition and I believe would prove itself efficient if the occasion arose, as it has performed well during the yearly State tests.

Under the Civil Defense statute of the State of New Hampshire, all personnel in the organization who have complied with the loyalty oath, etc., automatically are covered by Workmen's Compensation as provided in Chapter 63, Laws of 1953, when engaging in any test or actual emergency when duly proclaimed by the Governor or Legislature.

This timely law has been of great consolation to your Director to know that all personnel are protected in case of injury while giving of themselves in contributing to the welfare of the town.

I would like to comment on the excellent work being done by Mr. Kenneth Hills, the supervisor of the Ground Observer Corps and his corps of faithful observers, who have put the Milford Post among the leaders in this area. They have also given of their time and effort to paint and decorate the Post to make a most comfortable place to watch for planes. A tower is being planned to improve the efficiency of the Post.

May I, at this time, thank all who have donated supplies and material to this phase of Civil Defense.

As time has proved, the two-way radio set-up we have is of inestimable value to the Police and Fire Departments and would have been of great assistance to the Public Works Department in its recent difficulty with the water system. It is my earnest hope that this department will be equipped with this medium of communication as soon as possible.

I believe it would pay for itself in a short period in the saving of time, and time is of the essence in an emergency.

My sincere thanks to all Unit Leaders and personnel for their excellent cooperation, also to the Milford Cabinet for its news items and assistance in enlisting personnel for duty with Milford's Civil Defense.

DAVID DEANS, JR.
Local Civil Defense Director.

Municipal Court

CHARLES B. SULLIVAN, Judge

Arthur B. Rotch, Associate (1932-1955)

Florence M. Sweeney, Clerk

Court sessions are held in the Town Hall each Monday morning, with special sessions when the need arises.

Payments to court officials were:

Charles B. Sullivan, Judge	\$600 00
Estate of Arthur B. Rotch, Assoc.	50 00
Florence M. Sweeney, Clerk	350 00

The clerk's financial report follows:

Receipts

Fines	\$2974 00	
Civil entries and writs sold	16 50	
Entry fees, Small Claims Court	178 64	
	-----	\$3169 14

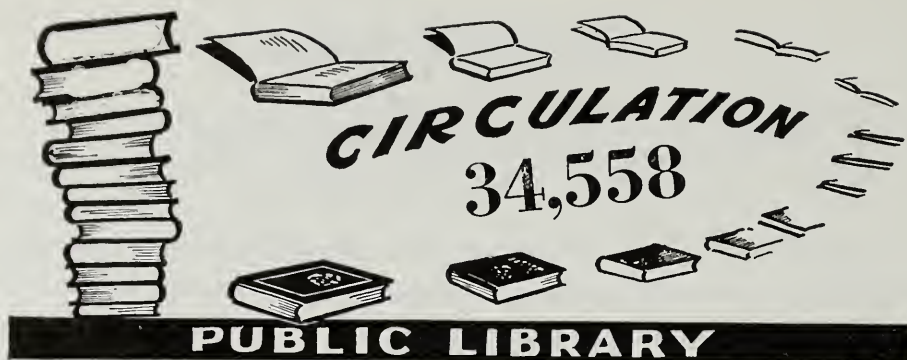
Disbursements

State of New Hampshire:

Motor Vehicle Dept., fines	\$2151 90
Witness fees	96 20
Postage and envelopes	32 50
Cabinet Press, printing forms	29 75
J. Albert Lynch, Special Justice	70 00
H. D. Cheever, Special Justice	60 00
N. H. Judges' Association, dues	5 00
N. H. Bindery, binding statutes	26 00
Stamp and pad	5 97
Jacqueline Bianchi, matron	5 00
Florence M. Sweeney, Clerk	
Small Claims Court	23 75
C. B. Sullivan, Justice,	
Small Claims Court	95 00
Paid H. E. Trentini, Treas. Town of	
Milford, N. H., balance of 1955	568 07

----- \$3169 14

FLORENCE M. SWEENEY, Clerk.



Report of Librarian

WADLEIGH MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Year of 1955

The outstanding Library Service rendered in 1955 was an increase in the circulation of books among adult borrowers. They used 1,864 more books this year than in 1954. We have also found that the quality of adult reading has been on a high level and the requests for specialized materials have been more numerous. There has been an increase in the use of our library by out of town borrowers. Borrowing from the State Library was just double that of 1954.

During the year 625 books were added to the active collection and of these 45 were gifts presented to the library by the following: The Milford Garden Club, The Milford Rotary Club, Dr. Alexandre Law, Mr. Rowe Ashley, Mr. Andrew Rothovius, Mrs. Barbara Wilson, Mrs. Lester Grant, Rev. Harold Holder, Mr. Winthrop Wood, Mr. Ralph Cox, Miss Bertha Rogers, Miss Olive Driver, Mr. Matti Kokko, Miss Susan Turner, Mrs. Arthur Rotch, Miss Caroline Fuller, Mr. Harlan Burns, Mrs. Lucy Cushing, Mrs. Frank Plante, Mrs. Bertha Sargent, The Library Staff and Trustees. Some of the above were memorial gifts presented in Memory of Mr. Arthur Rotch, Mrs. Grace M. Rotch, Miss Annie Foster, Miss Else Schiniedtgen and Miss Sally Curtis.

Many interested friends have also furnished the library with extra magazines, flowers, paper-bound books and materials for exhibits, all of which were gratefully received and for which we express appreciation.

Your library served the schools by giving instructions in the use of the library and its tools to Elementary, High and Junior High School classes and by supplying classroom collections of books for Social studies and supplementary reading. The Kindergartens of the town were entertained when they visited the library at different times. Junior Art Week was held for the second year with even greater success than in 1954.

Book Week in 1955 was again one of the outstanding features of our work with children. Each class from the Elementary School visited the library for advance information about the new fall books for children and they had a chance to see and learn ways in which the library serves them. The cooperation of Mr. Wilkinson and his teachers made this yearly observance, in the interest of "better books for children", possible and successful.

One of the most popular summer reading clubs was held in 1955 under the name of the Davy Crockett Reading Club. There were 91 children who registered and of these, 69 read one or more books and 44 read six or more. Excitement ran high during the period of the club. At the close of the club a party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Rotch with twenty-four children present.

A Poetry Hour was again a part of the summer program for children. Those assisting with this project were Mrs. William Ferguson, Mrs. Edward Thane and Mrs. George Nelson.

The Library hall was made available for the Great Books Discussion Group for the fourth year. This group is now under the leadership of Mr. Andrew Rothovius.

The Grange and Home for Aged have received regular collections of books during the year. The Holiday House, open during the summer, was supplied with large numbers of books.

Adult Art Week is becoming an event to which artists and craftsmen look forward each year. This past year paintings predominated but the crafts exhibited were of a high quality.

Your library has had many exhibits promoting current events and special collections of books to help borrowers in their various fields of endeavor.

Your librarians have spoken on behalf of the library at organizations and church groups as well as schools. The Librarian attended the annual meeting of the New Hampshire Library Association and Miss French joined her for a day with neighborhood librarians at Francestown. Mrs. Richardson attended the Library Institute in New London where her expenses, this year, were paid through a scholarship from the New Hampshire Library Association.

The Milford Cabinet continues to be a helpful instrument of advertising which is appreciated by the library staff and the people of the town.

Your library's goals for 1956 are — to continue to give the same services, now available; to expand that service to include records and talking books for circulation and to find some means of making books more available to the rest and nursing homes in Milford. These goals can be achieved only as the taxpayers see the library's need of them.

I wish to express grateful appreciation to the Trustees and my Staff for their constant cooperation and assistance which have contributed to the successful execution of library services in 1955.

ALICE E. AMES, *Librarian*

Library Resources

	1955		
Bound Volumes	Adult	Juvenile	Totals
Beginning of 1955	16,179	3,655	19,834
Added by Purchase	360	220	580
Added by Gifts	45		45
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	16,584	3,875	20,459
Discarded	35	16	51
	-----	-----	-----
Totals at end of 1955	16,549	3,859	20,408
Total Circulation of books and periodicals			34,558
Total Borrowers as of 1954	1,547		
New Borrowers 1955	214		

Total Borrowers 1955			1,761

Circulation of books by Classification

	Adult	Juvenile
General Works	3,917	197
Philosophy	166	3
Religion	267	70
Sociology	538	376
Philology	28	15
Natural Science	329	374
Useful Arts	808	219
Fine Arts	458	128
Fiction	14,555	5,436
Literature	931	1,626
Geography and Travel	1,014	262
Biography	1,504	672
History	529	136
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	25,044	9,514

Library Treasurer

WILLIAM Y. WADLEIGH MEMORIAL LIBRARY

December 31, 1955

Receipts

Cash on hand January 1, 1955	\$ 785 81
Town of Milford Appropriation	9245 00
Interest on Trust Funds	1601 55
Donation from A. L. Keyes Trust Funds	200 00
Balance of Librarian's Petty Account	531 00
Cash Received by Librarian:	
Reimbursement for books purchased for	
town borrowers	\$200 10
Histories sold	32 00
Receipts from lost and discarded books	3 80
Rent of Library Auditorium	52 00
Use of Library by out-of-town borrowers	33 25
Use of Phone	3 85
Fines	439 14

	764 14

	\$13,127 50

Disbursements

Salary of Librarian	\$2610 96
Salary of Assistant Librarian (1st)	2195 04
Salary of Assistant Librarian (2nd)	945 00
Salary of Janitor	2158 65
Books purchased	1525 61
Periodicals	168 30
Binding	67 74
Janitor's Supplies	123 44
Water	19 75
Telephone	127 24
Electricity	252 31
Librarian's supplies	167 28
Postage	3 00
Flowers	5 00

N. H. Library Association dues		5 00
American Library Association dues		6 00
Cleaning, servicing oil burner		31 82
Cleaning chimney		5 00
Repairs to plumbing		3 85
Repairs to power mower		13 00
Fuel oil		973 42
Milford Historical Society, proceeds from sale of Town Histories		32 00
Painting library building		450 00
Cash paid by Librarian:		
Supplies	\$ 46 48	
Page service and other expenses	165 96	
Librarian's expenses to Annual Meeting	20 70	
Paid Treasurer balance of Petty Account	531 00	
	-----	764 14
Balance on hand December 31, 1955		473 95

		\$13,127 50
BENJAMIN F. PRESCOTT, <i>Treasurer</i> .		

Library Trustees

Use of library and its facilities has shown a steady and encouraging increase, that indicates it is performing an appreciated service to the community. Total circulation of books and periodicals came to 34,558 this year, and there were 1761 borrowers, an increase of 214 over 1954. In matters of statistics such as per capita circulation, our library compares very favorably with libraries in other communities the size of Milford.

We are asking the town for an appropriation of \$8,703.60 this year to balance our budget. This is less than a year ago, when the budget included a special appropriation for outside painting. While the tendency for all costs is to be higher, we feel that our proposed budget is what is necessary for a "normal" operation of the library. It allows for no major expansion of services, and on the other hand, we do not see how it can be reduced very much without drastically curtailing present services.

The library exists to be used by Milford people. As more people take advantage of its books, its reading room and its services, its value to the town will increase.

Wadleigh Memorial Library Trustees

WILLIAM B. ROTCH, Chairman

BENJAMIN F. PRESCOTT

MURIEL B. YOUNG

Trust Funds Treasurer

DEBITS

January 1, 1955, Balance on Hand:

Unexpended Income		
Savings Account	\$4,654 71	
Checking Account	6 12	
	-----	\$4,660 83
Unexpended Principal		
Savings Account	\$1,507 76	
Checking Account	2,064 93	
	-----	3,572 69

		\$8,233 52
Income from Invested Funds		5,144 37
New Perpetual Care Funds		2,100 00
O. W. Lull Library Fund		6,000 00
Capital Gain Dividends on Investments —		
Received in Cash		793 07

		\$22,270 96

CREDITS

Purchase of Investments		\$ 8,483 13
John G. Drayton, C.P.A.		151 77
H. C. Bowley, Supt. of Schools, Kaley		
Prize Speaking Fund		175 00
R. C. Woodman, Flowers		61 75
Milford Public Works, Perpetual Care Funds		3,135 90
B. F. Prescott, Treas. Wadleigh Library:		
Epps Fund	477 61	
Peabody Fund	127 62	
Emerson Fund	78 78	
General Library Funds	917 54	
	-----	1,601 55

Balance on Hand, December 31, 1955:

Unexpended Income		
Savings Account	\$4,654 71	
Checking Account	24 52	
	-----	\$4,679 23
Unexpended Principal		
Savings Account	\$1,507 76	
Checking Account	2,474 87	
	-----	3,982 63

		8,661 86

		\$22,270 96

HUGO E. TRENTINI, Treasurer.

Report of the Common Trust Fund Investments of the Town of Milford on December 31, 1955

No. of Shares or Other Units	HOW INVESTED DESCRIPTION OF INVESTMENT (Names of Banks, Stocks, Bonds, etc.)	PRINCIPAL			INCOME				
		ADDITIONS		Proceeds From Sales	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
		Purchases	Capital Gains						
	Manchester Savings Bank — Common Principal Account No. 244660	\$ 1,507.76			\$1,507.76	00.00	\$50.86	\$50.86	00.00
	Manchester Savings Bank — Common Income Account No. 193844	4,654.71			4,654.71	00.00	157.08	157.08	00.00
3	Milford, N. H., Bldg. & Loan Assoc.	12,090.47	\$296.90		12,387.37	00.00	18.00	18.00	00.00
996	Boston Fund, Inc.	10,689.48	237.50		10,926.98	00.00	577.66	577.66	00.00
729	Century Shares Trust	12,616.65	527.59		13,144.24	00.00	364.50	364.50	00.00
1150	Chemical Fund, Inc.	12,169.67	342.24		12,511.91	00.00	397.90	397.90	00.00
736	Eaton and Howard Balanced Fund	11,523.86	373.80		11,897.66	00.00	460.80	460.80	00.00
1268	Fidelity Fund, Inc.	11,863.15			11,863.15	00.00	672.04	672.04	00.00
1170	George Putnam Fund	10,633.20	228.15		10,861.35	00.00	468.00	468.00	00.00
922	Incorporated Investors	11,953.52	163.98		12,117.50	00.00	442.56	442.56	00.00
572	Massachusetts Investors Trust	13,047.80	1,058.46		14,106.26	00.00	514.80	514.80	00.00
1034	National Investors Corporation	11,451.04	459.77		11,910.81	00.00	458.25	458.25	00.00
723	Nation-Wide Securities Co. Inc.					00.00	318.15	318.15	00.00
1521	Massachusetts Investors Growth Stock Fund, Inc.	4,092.46	826.50	\$8,483.13	13,402.09	00.00	243.77	243.77	00.00
		\$128,893.77	\$4,514.89	\$8,483.13	\$141,891.79	00.00	\$5,144.37	\$5,144.37	00.00
		\$124,239.06	\$4,514.89	\$8,483.13	\$137,237.08	00.00	\$4,987.29	\$4,987.29	00.00
	Principal Funds Invested	4,654.71			4,654.71	00.00	157.08	157.08	00.00
	Income Funds Invested	\$128,893.77	\$4,514.89	\$8,483.13	\$141,891.79	00.00	\$5,144.37	\$5,144.37	00.00

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town (continued)

INCOME

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year Per Cent	Amount	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
Various	Cemetery Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	\$4,654.71	3.66	\$3,200.83	\$3,200.83	\$4,654.71
Various	Milford Free Library Trusts	General Library Expense	00.00	3.74	230.47	230.47	00.00
1890	Ezra Gay Fund	General Library Expense	00.00	3.52	3.61	3.61	00.00
1892	Nancy Averill Fund	General Library Expense	00.00	3.70	19.02	19.02	00.00
1913	Alice Gray Fund	General Library Expense	00.00	3.74	44.24	44.24	00.00
1913	Miranda Smith Fund	General Library Expense	00.00	3.73	21.09	21.09	00.00
1913	Esther Thompson Fund	General Library Expense	00.00	3.67	5.66	5.66	00.00
1922	Andrew J. and Ella J. Dutton Fund	General Library Expense	00.00	3.74	88.49	88.49	00.00
1931	Josephine Dayfoot Fund	General Library Expense	00.00	3.70	19.03	19.03	00.00
1934	Hannah E. Webster Fund	General Library Expense	00.00	3.74	234.58	234.58	00.00
1945	James Day Fund	General Library Expense	00.00	3.74	39.62	39.62	00.00
1953	Annabell C. Secombe Fund	General Library Expense	00.00	3.74	233.55	233.55	00.00
1955	O. W. Lull Fund	General Library Expense	00.00	3.74	81.28	81.28	00.00
1953	Charles S. Emerson Library Fund	Library Books	00.00	3.74	492.83	492.83	00.00
1942	Minnie G. Epps Fund	Library Books	00.00	3.74	199.60	181.20	24.52
1937	Frank E. Kaley Prize Speaking Fund	High School	6.12	3.74	98.78	98.78	00.00
1938	Alice M. Wilkins Cemetery Fund	Care of Lot	00.00	3.73			
1907	Dorcas & Mary Peabody Fund	Children's Room, Library	00.00	3.73	131.69	131.69	00.00
			\$4,660.83	\$3.69	\$5,144.37	\$5,125.97	\$4,679.23

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town on December 31, 1955

PRINCIPAL

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Gains or (Losses) on Sale of Securities	Capital Gain Dividends	Balance End Year
Various	Cemetery Trust Funds	Perpetual Care	Common Trust	\$82,309.82	\$1,900.00		\$3,302.61	\$87,512.43
Various	Milford Free Library Trusts	General Library Expense						
1890	Ezra Gay Fund	General Library Expense		5,928.93			237.80	6,166.73
1892	Nancy Averill Fund	General Library Expense		98.84			3.72	102.56
1913	Alice Gray Fund	General Library Expense		494.06			19.64	513.70
1913	Miranda Smith Fund	General Library Expense		1,136.38			45.65	1,182.03
1913	Esther Thompson Fund	General Library Expense		543.41			21.76	565.17
1922	Andrew J. and Ella J. Dutton Fund	General Library Expense		148.24			5.84	154.08
1931	Josephine Dayfoot Fund	General Library Expense		2,272.67			91.30	2,363.97
1934	Hannah E. Webster Fund	General Library Expense		494.06			19.64	513.70
1945	James Day Fund	General Library Expense		6,027.79			242.04	6,269.83
1953	Annabell C. Secombe Fund	General Library Expense		1,017.88			40.87	1,058.75
1955	O. W. Lull Fund	General Library Expense			\$6,000.00		240.98	6,240.98
1953	Charles S. Emerson Library Fund	Library Books		2,087.31			83.87	2,171.18
1942	Minnie G. Epps Fund	Library Books		12,673.74			508.50	13,182.24
1937	Frank E. Kaley Prize Speaking Fund	High School		5,137.32			205.95	5,343.27
1938	Alice M. Wilkins Cemetery Fund	Care of Lot		2,543.35			101.91	2,645.26
1907	Dorcas & Mary Peabody Fund	Children's Room, Library		3,390.19			135.88	3,526.07
				\$126,303.99	\$7,900.00	00.00	\$5,307.96	\$139,511.95

Synopsis of March 1955 Meeting

MARCH 8, 1955

In accordance with the Town Meeting Warrant, polls were opened for voting at 2 p. m. by Moderator, Rodney C. Woodman.

Ballot clerks present, Lillian Cain, Flora Doucet, Kathryn E. Cassidy and Agnes Rossi, also the three Supervisors of the checklist.

First Voter, Gladys Heelon. Motion by Harold O'Neil to close Polls at 8 p. m. was seconded and voted.

Action on Budget and Warrant taken up at 6 p. m. after reading of the Warrant by Moderator and prayers offered by Rev. Harold W. Holder, Pastor of the Episcopal church.

Acting under Article 1 of the Town Warrant, the following officers were elected: Town Clerk, Donald C. Bruce; Town treasurer, Hugo E. Trentini; Selectman for three years, Ernest J. Durant; Fire Warden for three years, Edgar A. Norwood; Auditors, Leonard S. Lorden and Paul C. Rizzi; Trustee of Trust Funds for three years, Archibald A. Murray; Library Trustee for three years; William B. Rotch.

Article 2. It was voted unanimously to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year.

Article 3. It was moved and voted unanimously that all reports of town officials be accepted as reported and to raise and appropriate money relative thereto.

Article 4. It was moved and voted unanimously that the Selectmen be allowed to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, if necessary, as provided by law of 1907.

Article 5. The following sums of money were raised and appropriated:

Election and Reg. Expenses	\$ 260.00
Municipal Court Expenses	1,100.00
Public Works Administration	5,580.00
Town Hall and Other Buildings—Expenses	7,000.00
Town Officers—Expenses	8,382.40
Town Officers—Salaries	5,600.00
Civil Defense	52.80
Fire Department—Regular	10,700.00
Hydrant Rental	
Milford Water Dept.	2,760.00
Wilton Water Works	180.00
Police Department	12,700.00
Garbage Collection	1,225.00
Health Department	750.00
Sewer Maintenance	1,000.00
Town Dump	1,000.00
Vital Statistics	150.00
Highway Maintenance	12,100.00
Oiling	7,000.00
Snow Removal	9,000.00
Street Lighting	8,334.96
Town Road Aid—App. A	729.50
Libraries	9,245.00

Old Age Assistance	9,000.00
Town Poor	4,100.00
Memorial Day	425.00
Parks and Playgrounds	
Regular	1,500.00
Swimming Pool	1,800.00
Cemeteries	1,700.00
Information Booth	300.00
Damages and Legal Expenses	250.00
Employees Retirement	4,117.36
Insurance	4,186.05
Police Pension	187.20
Tax Map Revision	250.00
Long Term Notes (Interest)	
Other than Water	506.00
Water Department	931.51
Temporary Loans	800.00
Sewer Correction	1,000.00
Sidewalk Construction	1,500.00
Long Term Notes	
Water	4,500.00
Other than Water	10,000.00
County Tax	29,764.70

Motion by Fred Wadleigh that the town raise and appropriate money to pay the County Taxes. Voted unanimously.

Article 6. Relative to playing Beano it was voted: YES 388 NO 219.

Article 7. On recommendation of the Budget Committee it was voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the Community House.

Article 8. On recommendation of the Budget Committee it was voted unanimously to authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend the sum of \$4,630.00 from the Parking Meter Fund for Apportionment B, TRA work on Nashua street.

Article 9. On recommendation of the Budget Committee it was voted unanimously to authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend the sum of \$3,000.00 from the Parking Meter Fund for advance Apportionment B, TRA work on Nashua street.

Article 10. On recommendation of the Budget Committee it was voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for Safety lights to protect the Town Hall as required by State law.

Article 11. On recommendation of the Budget Committee it was voted to raise and appropriate \$5,000 to conduct a complete water survey of the Town.

The recommendation of the Budget Committee on Article 11 as printed in the Milford Budget Committee Report was that \$5,000 be appropriated and that no money be borrowed for this purpose. We feel this survey is an absolute necessity and we are told \$2,000 of the amount will be for basic survey of the water supply, the existing treatment and pumping plant, and present and future needs of the Towns, and that \$3,000 is to be used for test wells, we feel this is adequate.

Article 12, Moved by Frank Reid, Jr. that the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 to replace the Manual Adding Machine in the Public Works office, with an Electric Printing

Calculator. A like amount to be paid from Water Department funds. Motion seconded by Mr. Hugo Trentini and passed.

Article 13. On recommendation of the Budget Committee it was voted unanimously not to purchase 2-Way Radios to be placed in Public Works Department trucks.

Article 14. Moved by Frank Reid, Jr. that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7400.00 and that \$3500.00 of this money already appropriated at this meeting for Public Works, highways and water projects be combined with this sum to purchase a rubber-tired front end loading tractor for \$10,900.00. Motion was voted on and passed.

Article 15. Moved by Mr. Reid that the town authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase a suitable one ton dual wheel dump truck; to trade in on this purchase the present $\frac{1}{2}$ ton Dodge pick-up truck and that the Selectmen be authorized to spend not more than \$1800.00 from Water Department funds now on hand for this new dump truck over and above the trade-in allowance on the pick-up truck. Motion not passed.

Article 16. Motion that the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$1500.00 to purchase a used Austin-Weston Model 40 Power Street Sweeper. By a standing vote YES-179; NO-58.

Article 17. On recommendation of the Budget Committee it was voted not to install a street light at the corner of West Street and Osgood Road.

Article 18. Motion by Robert Pease that the town raise and appropriate this sum of \$3,000.00 to repair Ball Hill Road from Melendy Road to Brookline line. Motion seconded.

Standing vote requested by Mr. Silva. YES-82; NO-111.

Article 19. On recommendation of the Budget Committee it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3000.00 to extend the sewer on North Street approximately 577 feet to the Amherst line.

Article 20. Motion by David Aborn that the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2800.00 for the construction of a new sanitary sewer in Spuce Street, from Laurel Street 700 feet westerly to Wheeler Street.

Motion seconded and passed.

Article 21. On recommendation of the Budget Committee it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6400.00 to extend the sewer on Union Street, approximately 1050 feet, southerly from the existing manhole at Edward Nichols, Jr., and 400 feet in Mooreland Street, westerly from Union Street.

Article 22. Motion by Walter Putnam that the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$6400.00 to extend the sewer on Souhegan Street approximately 800 feet easterly from an existing manhole on Souhegan Street to Amherst town line and also 490 feet northerly on Border Street to the Amherst town line. Motion seconded and passed after a lengthy appeal by Mr. Putnam.

Article 23. On recommendation of the Budget Committee it was voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3900.00 to reconstruct the roadway on Jones' bridge, to be used in conjunction with \$1100.00 already available.

Article 24. On recommendation of the Budget Committee it was voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to the Monadnock Region Association of Southern New Hampshire

for issuance and distribution of printed matter, newspaper and magazine advertising, and by other means calling attention to the resources and natural advantages of the Town, in cooperation with the other thirty-seven towns of the Monadnock Region.

Article 25. On recommendation of the Budget Committee it was voted unanimously to make an exception for the portion of Riverview Street that lies westerly of Laurel Street, relative to the Town Ordinance requiring 40 feet of width for the acceptance of a Town Street.

Article 26. To see whether the Town will take any action relative to the conduct of business by Hawkers and Peddlers on the streets of Milford on Memorial Day.

Mr. David Deans explained that the interpretation of the law as it now stands is that anyone who qualifies and goes to the Secretary of State and pays \$10.00 can hawk and peddle anywhere in the state. They should not be here on Memorial Day or perhaps on any other day. At the present time we can do nothing about it. The police department can watch them very carefully.

Mr. William Rotch presented the following—BE IT RESOLVED: That the Representatives of Milford in the General Court, be informed that it is the sentiment of this meeting that they take such action as they may be able, to discourage the presence of hawkers and peddlers on the Streets of Milford on Memorial Day.

Motion seconded and passed, unanimously.

Article 27. Mr. David Hoadley presented the following resolution—BE IT RESOLVED: That the Moderator appoint a special committee of five to study the salary structure of the town employees and to report its recommendations regarding overall practice to the 1956 Town Meeting.

This was adopted unanimously.

Mr. William Ferguson moved that the following resolution be adopted—BE IT RESOLVED: That the Moderator appoint a committee of five to investigate the feasibility of the Municipal Budget Act, as it may apply to Milford; to consider the experiences of several towns under the Act; and to report its findings, with a recommendation to the Selectmen and Budget Committee by January 15, 1956.

Motion seconded and passed.

Mr. Hugo Trentini moved that the following resolution be adopted—WHEREAS, the voters of the town of Milford, at its annual meeting, assembled on the 8th day of March, 1955, have voted to raise and appropriate the sum of—

For Loader	\$10,900.00
For Sweeper	1,500.00
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	\$12,400.00

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED: That the combined cost of these items be financed by the payment of \$3500 this year out of 1955 Public Works Budget accounts and the balance of \$8,900.00 to be financed by issuing serial notes of the said Town of Milford, to be a direct obligation of said Town and in a total sum not to exceed \$8,900.00 and to be dated on or about July 1, 1955, and to bear interest at a rate not to exceed $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ per annum, payable semi-annually, said notes to be issued in serial form maturing each year beginning with July 1, 1956, at an amount not less than \$2,500.00

per year, each payable at the Souhegan National Bank in said Town. These serial notes, while a direct obligation of said Town of Milford, shall be paid by direct reduction of Public Works Budget Item raised and appropriated at future meetings of said Town until all said serial notes shall have been paid in full.

Mr. George Nelson made a motion that the \$3,500.00 be increased to \$3800.00 and the balance to be figured by serial notes.

Motion seconded and passed.

Resolution with the amendment was passed unanimously.

Question by Mr. William Whipple—Is the Town Garage Committee discharged?

Committee was discharged by the meeting with appreciation.

Motion by Mr. Joseph Silva that the Town Meeting be held in the evening next year under the same conditions and the Moderator begin reading the Warrant at 6:30 p. m.

Motion seconded by Mr. Rothovius and passed.

State of the Ballot announced at 10.15 p. m.

TOTAL VOTE CAST

768

Town Clerk		Trustee of Trust Funds for 3 Years.	
Donald C. Bruce	743	Archibald A. Murray	670
Town Treasurer		Scattering	4
Hugo E. Trentini	683	Library Trustee for 3 Years	
Scattering	4	William B. Rotch	660
Selectman for 3 Years		Scattering	2
Ernest Durant	506	'Shall the provisions of 171-A of the Revised Laws relative to playing games of Beano be Adopted in this Town?'	
Andrew J. Sweeney	255	YES—318	NO—219
Scattering	4		
Fire Warden for 3 Years			
Edgar A. Norwood	706		
Robert Seavey	5		
Raymond A. Dyer	1		
Auditors			
Leonard S. Lordon	679		
Paul C. Rizzi	655		
Scattering	2		

Meeting adjourned at 10.18 p. m.

At the close of the meeting, Ernest J. Durant, Selectman, Donald C. Bruce, Town Clerk, Edgar A. Norwood, Fire Warden, Hugo Trentini, Town Treasurer and William B. Rotch as Library Trustee were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties by Rodney C. Woodman, Moderator.

Archibald A. Murray, Trustee of Trust Funds, Paul C. Rizzi and Leonard S. Lordon, Auditors were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties by Donald C. Bruce, Justice of the Peace
DONALD C. BRUCE, Town Clerk

The following is a list of the members of the Budget Committee to serve for the year 1955-1956—

Edward P. Hallet, Chairman
Harold Remick
Robert Campbell
Donald M. Brown
L. Paul Ecklund
Carl Holland
Roy Boulter
George Nelson

William Crabtree
Eben Hutton
Harry K. Draper
Bartolo Prestipino
Owen P. Fisk
Salvatore Grasso
Robert C. Holcombe

The following is a list of the Committee of five appointed by the Moderator, Rodney C. Woodman, to investigate the feasibility of the Municipal Budget Act, as it may apply to Milford; to report its findings, with a recommendation to the Selectmen and Budget Committee by January 15, 1956:

William Ferguson, Chairman
David Deans, Jr.
Robert Campbell
Carl H. Holland
Mario Infanti

The following is a list of the Committee of five appointed by the Moderator, Rodney C. Woodman, to study the salary structure of the town employees and to report its recommendations regarding over-all practice to the 1956 Town Meeting:

David Hoadley, Chairman
Lawrence Billings
Clarence Weymouth
Raymond A. Dyer
Harland H. Holt

Vital Statistics

1954		1955
80	Births	100
56	Marriages	64
76	Deaths	84

MARRIAGES

<i>Date and Place</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Name and Station of Person Officiating</i>
Jan. 21 Milford	James D. Merloni	Donald C. Bruce
Jan. 29 Litchfield	Marilyn Ann Hogan	Justice of the Peace
Jan. 29 Milford	Ronald E. Frost	Ray H. Cowen
	Edith M. Frost	Clergyman
Feb. 5 Wilton	Edward R. Galletly	Harold W. Holder
	Charlotte M. Lavoie	Clergyman
	Rodney C. Woodman, Jr.	Ralph P. Kyper
	Janice Brown	Clergyman
Feb. 12 Milford	Leonard A. Boissonnault	Ernest M. Jones
	Shirley E. Bohonan	Clergyman
Feb. 26 Milford	Robert A. Murphy	Donald C. Bruce
	Cynthia E. Murray	Justice of the Peace
Feb. 26 Milford	Robert S. Lappin	Donald C. Bruce
	Gloria J. Levine	Justice of the Peace
Mar. 9 Milford	Paul L. Johnston	Donald C. Bruce
	Dorothy A. Riza	Justice of the Peace
Mar. 13 Salem	John P. Collins	Kenneth F. Romfrey
	Mary E. Chaison	Justice of the Peace
Apr. 4 Ashby, Mass.	Joseph R. Heaps	Daniel H. McLean
	Waneta P. Stevens	Justice of the Peace
Apr. 16 Milford	John F. Manning	Herbert E. Brockner
	Frances G. Dean	Clergyman
Apr. 23 Milford	Edward P. Leavitt	Thomas Savage
	Donna J. McCormack	Catholic Priest
Apr. 23 Hollis	Elmer C. Rood	Edwin A. Olson
	Virginia A. Seavey	Clergyman
Apr. 30 Nashua	Bartolo V. Prestipino	Eugene Pelletier
	Lorraine Y. Lemay	Catholic Priest
May 31 Hollis	Chester A. Hayward	Charles F. Dow
	Donna R. Card	Justice of the Peace
June 11 Manchester	Leo R. Jarvis	J. F. Morin
	Lucille Baron	Catholic Priest
June 25 Milford	Leo Hovanesian	Donald C. Bruce
	Rita D. Beaudry	Justice of the Peace
June 25 Milford	Robert G. Barnes, Jr.	Herbert E. Brockner
	Joan Comolli	Clergyman
June 25 Milford	John W. Lemery, Jr.	Thomas Savage
	Harriet I. Boulette	Catholic Priest
June 25, Milford	Robert J. Dooley	Thomas Savage
	Charlene A. Bernasconi	Catholic Priest
July 2 Milford	Normand R. Roy	Francis Hogan
	Margie L. Jackson	Catholic Priest
July 2 Wethersfield, Conn.	Clyde T. Lusk, Jr.	Francis E. Nash
	Beverly J. Tasko	Catholic Priest
July 8 Milford	Francis S. Harrow	Donald C. Bruce
	Isabel R. VanMoortel	Justice of the Peace
July 16 Wilton	Ray H. Brown	Charles B. Sullivan
	Dorothy L. Hansen	Justice of the Peace
July 23 Milford	Alfred L. Moore	Ernest M. Jones
	Ruth M. Dobbins	Clergyman
July 23 Nashua	Fernand N. Lavoie	Henri A. Blanshard
	Norma L. Lowe	Catholic Priest

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<i>Date and Place</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Name and Station of Person Officiating</i>
Aug. 6 Amherst	Ralph W. Lorette	Frank M. Weiskel
	Adrienne Goodale	Clergyman
Aug. 8 Nashua	John M. Foley	Jerome L. Silverstein
	Sarah Curran	Justice of the Peace
Aug. 10 Milford	Gustave J. Geisler	Donald C. Bruce
	Judith F. Laughton	Justice of the Peace
Aug. 13 Milford	Stephen E. Atkinson	Francis Hogan
	Jane E. Liberty	Catholic Priest
Aug. 18 Wilton	Lawrence R. Amsden	Kenneth R. Dunham
	Elizabeth G. Whitten	Justice of the Peace
Aug. 20 Milford	Edward L. Judge	Donald C. Bruce
	Elizabeth B. Couturier	Justice of the Peace
Aug. 27 Wilton	James M. Hardy	Eugene A. Murphy
	Barbara T. Testa	Catholic Priest
Aug. 31 Milford	Carter C. Hollis	Herbert E. Brockner
	Sheila L. Dean	Clergyman
Sept. 2 Milford	Harland N. Hannon	Donald Bruce
	Frances I. Colombo	Justice of the Peace
Sept. 3 Brookline	Romeo C. Paradis	Thomas Savage
	Helen B. Archambault	Catholic Priest
Sept. 10 Milford	John O. Condon	Thomas Savage
	Nanette W. Foss	Catholic Priest
Sept. 12 Milford	Salvatore M. Urella	Ernest R. Drake
	Dorothy J. Corley	Clergyman
Sept. 17 Manchester	Louis P. King, Jr.	Clifton D. Gray, Jr.
	Ruth M. Miller	Clergyman
Sept. 23 Milford	Albert F. Wheeler	Herbert E. Brockner
	Marilyn J. Wagner	Clergyman
Sept. 24 Milford	Waldo S. McPherson	Donald C. Bruce
	Jeannette E. Day	Justice of the Peace
Sept. 24 Milford	Arthur F. King	Donald C. Bruce
	Alma R. Cusson	Justice of the Peace
Sept. 24 Milford	Robert F. Pomfret	Donald C. Bruce
	Alice E. Bennett	Justice of the Peace
Sept. 30 Wilton	Wallace R. Bruce	Kendall B. Burgess
	Barbara Wesoia	Clergyman
Sept. 30 Milford	Edwin H. True, Jr.	Ernest M. Jones
	Alice E. Milne	Clergyman
Oct. 1 Hudson	Robert D. Smith	John E. Baker
	Laura S. Dudzinski	Justice of the Peace
Oct. 15 Milford	Uuno Juhn Maki	Herbert E. Brockner
	Ruth Agnes Hackett	Clergyman
Oct. 15 Milford	Raymond O. Williamson	Kendall B. Burgess
	Allegra C. Muir	Clergyman
Nov. 4 Milford	Bernard E. Grant, Sr.	Herbert E. Brockner
	Ginette Holden	Clergyman
Nov. 6 Milford	Albert J. Carraba	Charles J. Lincoln
	Helen M. Brissette	Justice of the Peace
Nov. 12 Washington N. H.	Arthur L. Hayward	Abner H. Barker
	Elizabeth Howe	Justice of the Peace
Nov. 13 New London	Kenneth B. Sanborn	John R. Schroeder
	Gay E. Rich	Clergyman

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Nov. 16 Milford	Francis A. Burns, Jr.	Lena Destroismaisons
	Judith Marie Keaveny	Justice of the Peace
Nov. 19 Milford	Horace E. Dean, Jr.	Ernest M. Jones
	Margaret O. Williamson	Clergyman
Nov. 19 Milford	Keith E. Morgan	Ernest M. Jones
	Louella A. Cluche	Clergyman
Nov. 19 Milford	Robert Fitzgerald	Francis Hogan
	Theresa A. Masterson	Catholic Priest
Nov. 19 Nashua	Richard L. LaPonsie	Raymond S. Desjardins
	Lorette C. LeBrun	Catholic Priest
Dec. 3 Milford	Harold F. Seitz	Donald C. Bruce
	Beulah A. Cheney	Justice of the Peace
Dec. 3 Milford	Frank F. Mitchell	Ernest M. Jones
	Isabelle Barker	Clergyman
Dec. 16 Milford	Robert P. Surratt	Donald C. Bruce
	Rose G. Speight	Justice of the Peace
Dec. 24 Wilton	Arthur J. Martin	Eugene A. Murphy
	Patricia P. Parks	Catholic Priest
Dec. 26 Milford	Lawrence D. Ricci	Thomas Savage
	Charlotte E. Scully	Catholic Priest
Dec. 31 Milford	Roger W. Beardsley	Francis Hogan
	Pauline L. Hutchinson	Catholic Priest
Dec. 31 Lyndeboro	Allen T. O'Neil	Charles B. Sullivan
	Janet Howe	Justice of the Peace

BIRTHS

<i>Date and Place</i>	<i>Baby's Name</i>	<i>Father's Name</i>	<i>Mother's Maiden Name</i>
Jan. 5, Nashua	Dorothy	Ernest Herbert	Grace Dunn
Jan. 14, Nashua	Rebecca	Bernard LaPensee	Glennis Robbins
Jan. 18, Nashua	Gary	Warren Lord	Patricia Byrne
Jan. 18, Nashua	Elizabeth	William Kokko	Ruth Pfund
Jan. 27, Nashua	Richard, Jr.	Richard Cooley	Charlotte Bishop
Jan. 28, Milford	Susan	Chandis Gibson	Toshie Sakazume
Jan. 30, Nashua	Marcia	Frederick Lorden	Celia Koivula
Jan. 31, Nashua	Audrey	David Murphy	Muriel Cameron
Feb. 4, Nashua	Peter	Roy Goodwin	Edith Trow
Feb. 4, Nashua	Patrick	Alexander Godin	Norma Bradeen
Feb. 5, Nashua	Brian	Calvin Locke	Edna LaMarche
Feb. 16, Nashua	Michael	Howard Greene	Barbara Hartson
Feb. 16, Goffstown	Dana	Clarence Paige	Iucille Foote
Feb. 17, Nashua	George	Gerald Garnham	Shirley Dillon
Feb. 17, Nashua	David	James Cassidy	Madeleine Harte
Feb. 19, Nashua	Glenn	Robert Rafter	Frances Cherwinsky
Feb. 23, Nashua	Harold, 2nd	Gilbert Warren	Gracie Sanborn
Feb. 23, Nashua	Scott	Robert Craig	Janet Falcetti
Feb. 27, Nashua	Scot	Salvatore Cassarino	Mary Lou Heald
Feb. 27, Nashua	Brenda	Sebastiano Crisafulli	Eunice Vercontaire
Mar. 5, Nashua	Evelyn	Thomas Clark	Frances Curry
Mar. 10, Nashua	Debra	Robert Taylor	Shirley Turner
Mar. 14, Nashua	Anthony	Vincent Aveni	Vmcenza Aveni
Mar. 15, Nashua	Pamela	Eugene Case	Helen Poling
Mar. 24, Manchester	Edward	Alfred Medlyn	Barbara Bragdon
Mar. 30, Nashua	Christine	Victor Bellrose	Janice Hirth
Mar. 31, Nashua	Gene	Alfred St. Aubin	Vera Chamberlain
Mar. 31, Nashua	Lisa	George Fraser	Mary Ann Drew
Apr. 5, Nashua	Cathleen	Robert Annand	Muriel Tracy
Apr. 29, Manchester	John	William Rotch	Martha McLane
May 8, Nashua	Michael	Dominic Rocca, Jr.	Mildred Henke
May 12, Nashua	Russell	Louis Works	Gloria Cross
May 21, Nashua	Alan	Maurice Hanson	Marion Waldo
May 22, Nashua	Deborah	George Dutton, Jr.	Carol Tonella
May 27, Manchester	Brenda	Ralph Stinson	Beverly Cadieux
May 28, Nashua	Michael	George McKinney	Therese Froelicher
June 2, Manchester	Michael	Wilfred Tetu	Geneva Boccard
June 12, Nashua	Timothy	Francis Maguire	Gloria Rosi
June 18, Manchester	David	John Clifford	Arlene Ashnault
June 18, Nashua	David	Lyle Place	Priscilla Desilets
June 25, Nashua	Stephen	Raymond Wright	Louise Bourdon
June 25, Nashua	Don	Joseph Calderara	Pauline Givani
July 6, Nashua	Steven	Rosarie Drouin	Joyce Taylor
July 6, Nashua	Roland	Raymond Plante	Loretta Whalen
July 8, Nashua	Cindy	Clayton Fulcher	Jennie Peters
July 24, Nashua	Rodney	Weston Trombly	Mildred Welsh
July 27, Nashua	Tonya	Everett Hill	Shirley Robare
July 27, Nashua	Scott	Robt. Callahan, Jr.	Shirley Nason
July 28, Nashua	Brenda	Kenneth Miller	Carmen Letendre
Aug. 1, New London	Daniel	George Cilley	Marjorie Rand
Aug. 6, Nashua	Thomas	Herbert Hodge	Phoebe Batchelder
Aug. 11, Nashua	Lorraine	Phillip Simonds	Olive Livingston
Aug. 11, Nashua	Michael	Charles Frahme	Dorothy Henchey

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<i>Date and Place</i>	<i>Baby's Name</i>	<i>Father's Name</i>	<i>Mother's Maiden Name</i>
Aug. 11, Nashua	Albert	Herbert Leach	Elizabeth Fournier
Aug. 12, Manchester	Donna	Gordon Gurley	Cecile Parenteau
Aug. 15, Nashua	Diana	Fussell Stinson	Fay Morse
Aug. 19, Nashua	Sandra	Armand Theriault	Marie Champagne
Aug. 23, Nashua	Thomas	Walter Parker	Patricia Rumrill
Aug. 23, Milford	Valerie	Harry Sampley	Sylvia Massie
Aug. 25, Nashua	Deborah	Elmer Rood	Virginia Seavey
Aug. 28, Nashua	William	Alfred Bilger	Barbara Rainaud
Aug. 30, Manchester	Sandra	Ernest Barrett	Mildred Law
Aug. 30, Nashua	Benjamin, Jr.	Benjamin Hammond	Betty Ashford
Aug. 31, Nashua	Dorothy	Edward Hudson	Etta Pike
Sept. 3, Nashua	Sally-Lynn	Henry Curtis	Annie Cluche
Sept. 4, Shirley, Mass.	Donna	Donald Auclair	Dorothy Hallet
Sept. 6, Peterboro	Diane	Warren Russell	Marion Stitham
Sept. 8, Nashua	Louis	Louis Bosse	Antoinette D'Amato
Sept. 10, Nashua	Caren	Joseph Heaps	Waneta Stevens
Sept. 12, Nashua	Cheryl	Edward Clark	Marie Stimson
Sept. 13, Peterboro	Kathryn	John Buffington	Ada Kimball
Sept. 15, Nashua	John	Walter Shea	Dorothy Marks
Sept. 16, Nashua	John	Kenneth Hartson	Rita Gagnon
Sept. 17, Nashua	Clay	John Drew	Elsie Noyes
Sept. 23, Manchester	Jeffery	Robert Kendall	Ciara Medlyn
Sept. 23, Manchester	Alan	Frank Reid, Jr.	Elizabeth Church
Sept. 26, Nashua	Jeffrey	Robert Conrad	Agnes Rossi
Oct. 1, Nashua	Evelyn	Clifton LaBree	Marie Cooche
Oct. 8, Nashua	Deborah	James Heald	Kathryn Howe
Oct. 17, Nashua	Peter	Frederick Conrey	Eda Johnson
Oct. 24, Nashua	Juliet	John Gregoire	Margaret Gibbons
Oct. 24, Nashua	Marie	Clarence Parker	Laura Hickory
Oct. 25, Nashua	Susan	Richard Sullivan, Sr.	Ella Trombly
Oct. 29, Nashua	Orelia	Robert Bell	Elizabeth Worden
Oct. 29, Nashua	Linda	James Blair	Geraldine Wilson
Oct. 31, Nashua	Ted	Robert Hutchinson	Lepha Davis
Nov. 2, Shirley, Mass.	Lauren Beth	Robert G. Stewart	Elizabeth Dyson
Nov. 9, Nashua	Colleen F.	Homer F. McMurray	Dorothy Desmarais
Nov. 10, Nashua	Frederick	Edward O. Ruonala	Philemene Galletley
Nov. 10, Nashua	David	John Griffiths	Barbara McCullough
Nov. 11, Goffstown	Deborah	Charles Curtis	Opal Brown
Nov. 14, Nashua	Martha	Rowe Ashley	Catherine Barrett
Nov. 24, Nashua	Scott	James Smith	Mary Clark
Nov. 30, Nashua	Robert	William Shuman	Elaine Campbell
Dec. 2, Manchester	Peter Thomas	William W. Whalen	Jeanne M. Gillespie
Dec. 12, Nashua	Laurie	David Courage	Phyllis Ashford
Dec. 12, Nashua	Jean	Warren Lord	Patricia Byrne
Dec. 19, Lowell	Marcia	Norman E. Mochrie	Mildred LeClair
Dec. 22, Nashua	Cheryl Christina	Edward DuGray, Jr.	Dorothy C. Young
Dec. 24, Nashua	Robert Allen	Orson H. Bragdon	Caroline E. Paige

DEATHS

<i>Date and Place</i>	<i>Name of Deceased</i>	<i>Yrs.</i>	<i>Mos.</i>	<i>Days</i>
Jan. 2 Nashua	Stephen Gardner Wright			2
Jan. 10 Nashua	Alida E. Seaverns	86		
Jan. 13 Milford	Eugene S. Byrd	80	8	3
Jan. 20 Goffstown	John R. Robbins	64		
Jan. 25 Northampton, Mass.	Harold C. Ames	60	10	22
Feb. 3 Peterborough	Jeremiah J. Casey	83	3	
Feb. 17 Haverhill, Mass.	James C. Emerson	83	7	4
Feb. 17 Nashua	George A. Garnham	Less than 1 day		
Feb. 18 Goffstown	Dana Paige	36 hours	22	min.
Feb. 21 Milford	Eliza H. Sutherland	95	8	15
Mar. 2 Milford	Emma Elliott	72		
Mar. 7 Milford	Sarah M. Curtis	64	1	1
Mar. 8 St. P. Fla.	Anthony C. Rossi	72		
Mar. 9 Milford	Paul Miksha	62	7	24
Mar. 9 Franklin	Margaret Haley	89		
Mar. 15 Benton	Melvin A. Chase	69	8	15
Mar. 18 Milford	Marion R. Flood	75	11	20
Mar. 28 Milford	Bernard L. O'Connell	61	8	15
Mar. 29 Milford	Virginia D'Angelillo	70	0	11
Apr. 2 Nashua	Dennis F. Mahoney	69		
Apr. 3 Milford	Samuel Nalibow	75		
Apr. 3 Milford	Catherine Elizebeth Doyle	85	11	22
Apr. 3 Nashua	John Deschamps	83		
Apr. 4 Brentwood	Edward W. Crowell	82		
Apr. 11 Goffstown	Florence Raymond	39		
May 1 Milford	Alice Edwards	85		
May 13 Sanbornton	Charles A. Scully	48	5	2
May 15 Amherst	William E. Quinn	21		28
May 17 Nashua	Margaret M. Chandler	78		
May 17 Milford	James Dickie	81	9	27
May 20 Concord	Jeanette M. Bowler	39		
May 29 Windham, Me.	John Hyslop	80		
June 4 Dorchester, Mass.	Gindetta M. Felli	86	8	26
June 9 Milford	Mercy A. Cole	76	6	24
June 25 Harpswell, Me.	Webster F. Harley	59		
July 5 Milford	Neil Hansen	3	1	23
July 6 Amherst	Grace P. Mason	80	4	4
July 13 P. Q. - Canada	Ernest Gagnon	62		
July 17 Milford	Nellie Brenner	83	6	16
July 19 Milford	Emma S. Russell	84	6	27
July 23 Brentwood	Elsie R. Crowell	78		
July 26 Milford	Everett W. Davidson	78		
July 29 Milford	George W. Marden	82	6	10
Aug. 4 Milford	Bridget A. Brennan	80	1	2
Aug. 11 Goffstown	Eugene White	74		
Aug. 17 Milford	Catherine Agnes Lynch	71	5	24
Aug. 17 Milford	Amelia S. Haefeli	88	5	19
Aug. 18 Milford	Mary Putnam Chase	70		
Aug. 24 Milford	Agnes Ellen Boutwell	56	10	25
Sept. 2 Concord	Louis H. Hall	84		
Sept. 2 Nashua	Dorothy J. Hudson			2
Sept. 4 Milford	Mary Maguire	71	10	14
Sept. 11 Nashua	Louis Guy Bosse			3

DEATHS

<i>Date and Place</i>	<i>Name of Deceased</i>	<i>Yrs.</i>	<i>Mos.</i>	<i>Days</i>
Sept. 13 Nashua	Emma B. Smith	83		
Sept. 15 Milford	Leland S. Stone	77		
Sept. 17 Milford	Elizabeth T. Wright	60	11	1
Sept. 17 Milford	Domonico Sacco	88	7	3
Sept. 24 Cambridge, Mass.	Wilbur A. Marshall	18	2	5
Sept. 26 Nashua	William P. Buckley	76		
Sept. 30 Milford	Isaac Hill	71	8	29
Oct. 4 Milford	Samuel H. Fraser	87	0	21
Oct. 12 Milford	Thomas C. Davis	80	6	14
Oct. 20 Milford	Maud E. Riedle	73	3	7
Nov. 4 Milford	Lena Wilson	72	8	
Nov. 7 Milford	Melville Chapman	85		
Nov. 8 Hillsboro	Dennis F. Lorden	65		
Nov. 10 Milford	James W. Philbrick	84	5	24
Nov. 12 Goffstown	George Hutchinson	87		
Nov. 14 Nashua	Paul W. Lund	64		
Nov. 16 Milford	Arthur B. Rotch	68	7	22
Nov. 20 Nashua	Alice J. King	84		
Nov. 23 Nashua	Peter J. Gogan	54		
Nov. 23 Nashua	Arthur F. Crowell	47		
Nov. 24 Milford	Julius Wirta	67	8	
Nov. 25 Milford	Elizabeth Wingate	87		
Nov. 25 Milford	Julian M. Tarbell	91	6	2
Nov. 25 Milford	Charles P. Hayward, Jr.	18	7	1
Nov. 26 Nashua	Janet L. Morse	76		
Nov. 29 Manchester	Linna L. Cassanerio	2	10	10
Dec. 4 Nashua	Annis M. Rideout	90		
Dec. 15 Concord	Lizzie H. Hartshorn	93		
Dec. 20 Milford	John M. Romani	91	2	21
Dec. 24 Goffstown	Charles Towne	82		
Dec. 29 Laconia	Caroline R. Antle	24	10	4

Brought From Away and Buried in Town

<i>Date and Place</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Yr.</i>	<i>Age</i> <i>Mo. Days</i>	<i>Cemetery</i>
Jan. 5, Scott Township, Pa.	Francis Buckley	66		St. Patrick's
Jan. 13, Fair Lawn, N. J.	Carrie L. Parker	87		Riverside
Jan. 24, West Palm Bea., Fla.	Ernest C. Brooks	83		Riverside
Apr. 18, New Castle, Del.	Margaret J. Lease	70		Riverside
May 21, Ridgefield Pk., N.J.	Fred R. Lowe, Sr.	89	2	Riverside
June 1, Harvard. Mass.	George H. Holt	93	8 29	Riverside
June 30, Boston, Mass	John W. Holden	41	4 23	Riverside
Aug. 17, Quincy, Mass.	Camille Tortorelli		5 30	Riverside
Aug. 30, Salem, Mass.	Primo Fontana	61		Riverside
Oct. 23, Philadelphia, Pa.	Maria T. Calvetti	80		Riverside
Oct. 27, Lancaster, Mass.	Florence A. Emery	62	6 10	Riverside
Dec. 4, Orange, Mass.	Katherine Follett	79	10 3	Riverside

Livermore Community Association

The Livermore Community Association wishes to express its deep appreciation of the receipt of \$200 from the Town of Milford to be used toward the maintenance of the property.

Under the able custodianship of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest B. Hyde the house has had a successful year, as well as a busy one.

Our thanks go to the people and organizations that have made it truly "A Community House."

MARGARET H. HOWISON,

Chairman.

Milford Schools



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June 30, 1955

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SCHOOL BOARD

MARTHA McL. ROTCH	Term Expires 1956
MARIO J. INFANTI	Term Expires 1957
DAVID A. HOADLEY	Term Expires 1958

HAROLD C. BOWLEY, *Superintendent of Schools*
GEORGE H. CORSON, *Principal, High School*
FRED J. WILKINSON, *Principal, Elementary School*
MABEL I. CONNOLLY, *Helping Teacher*

MAURICE G. JEWETT	<i>Treasurer</i>
DAVID DEANS, JR.	<i>Moderator</i>
A. WALLACE WILKINS	<i>Clerk</i>
OSCAR BURNS, M.D.	<i>School Physician</i>
VIRGINIA GILL, R.N.	<i>School Nurse</i>

SCHOOL BOARD

This year the problem of teachers' salaries has been the most serious one confronting the School Board. Although a great deal has been done during recent years to bring these salaries up and to develop a meaningful salary schedule, competition for the services of new teachers has consistently made beginning salaries closer than they should be to the salaries paid experienced teachers. We feel that it is essential to maintain some sort of a schedule of yearly increments which will give a new teacher some idea of his or her possibilities for future earnings. We continue to feel that the entire range of salaries which Milford pays must be raised in order to compete successfully with other school districts. On the other hand, the large expenditures already facing the town this year have made us reluctant to propose a general salary increase which would seem an unreasonable load to some of the voters and taxpayers.

School Boards all over the country have apparently been faced with problems very much the same as ours, and we have studied a number of comparable situations in an effort to gain perspective. We find that there is a shortage of teachers all over the country and that the low salaries which have been paid to teachers in past years have forced many graduates of Teachers' Colleges out of the teaching profession and into other fields of endeavor. This happened during a period when a population bulge was approaching school age, and schools now find themselves with too few teachers to fill the classrooms created to take care of this increase in school enrollment. The only solution has been to raise salaries in an attempt to encourage new graduates to stay in the teaching profession and draw back into teaching some of those who have left it during the past ten years.

Against this background, the Milford School Board has tried to propose salary increases and modifications to the salary schedule which will accomplish the desired result of retaining as many as possible of our good teachers without imposing any more of a strain than necessary on the local taxpayers who must bear almost all of the cost of operating schools here in New Hampshire.

The School Board will be glad to discuss this or any other problem relating to the operation of the schools with any interested citizens at the regular monthly School Board meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

MARTHA M. ROTCH, *Chairman*

MARIO J. INFANTI

DAVID A. HOADLEY

WARRANT

for the Annual School Meeting

*To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Milford,
qualified to vote in district affairs:*

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 10th day of March 1956, at eight o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state foundation aid fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the own.
9. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate

in addition to the original appropriation for 1955-56, the sum of \$2,827.00 to reimburse the School District for an interest payment on the New School Building; said Deficiency Appropriation to be made available prior to June 1, 1956.

10. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Milford this 13th day of February, 1956.

MARTHA M. ROTCH,
MARIO J. INFANTI,
DAVID A. HOADLEY,
School Board.

Total Enrollment—952

As of January 16, 1956

ELEMENTARY

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Grade I	29						29
Grade I	35						35
Grade I	34						34
Grade II		21					21
Grade II		32					32
Grade II		32					32
Grade III			25				25
Grade III			21				21
Grade III			28				28
Grade III			25				25
Grade IV				25			25
Grade IV				27			27
Grade IV				27			27
Grade V					28		28
Grade V					29		29
Grade VI						34	34
Grade VI						32	32
Grand Totals	98	85	99	79	57	66	484
Boys	52	40	54	41	33	36	256
Girls	46	45	45	38	24	30	228

Total Elementary Enrollment figures for the last five years:

387, 413, 428, 465, 461

Junior High and High School Enrollment as of January 16, 1956

	Boys	Girls	Total
Grade VII	40	48	88
Grade VIII	46	43	89
Grade IX	47	46	93
Grade X	39	40	79
Grade XI	21	36	57
Grade XII	27	35	62
Grand Total	220	248	468

TUITION PUPILS

Amherst - Grades 9-12	62
Mont Vernon	
High School, 9-12	24
Junior High, 7 and 8	16
Lyndeboro - Grade 7	2
Total Tuition Pupils	<u>104</u>

Budget for School Year

	Working Budget 1955-56	Proposed Budget 1956-57
Administration:		
1. Salaries of District Officers	\$ 420.00	\$ 420.00*
2. Supt's Salary (local share)	2,247.00	2,467.50*
3. Tax for State-Wide Supervision	1,662.00	1,700.00*
4. Salaries of other Adm. Personnel	2,607.50	2,667.50*
5. Supplies and Administrative Expenses	1,507.25	1,512.50*
	\$ 8,443.75	\$ 8,767.50
Instruction:		
6. Principals' and Teachers' Salaries	147,250.00	158,400.00
7. Books and Other Instructional Aids	3,900.00	4,300.00
8. Scholars' Supplies	5,400.00	5,900.00
10. Supplies and Other Instructional Exp.	2,000.00	2,000.00
	158,550.00	170,600.00
Operation of School Plant:		
11. Salaries of Janitors	11,650.00	12,550.00
12. Fuel or Heat	6,000.00	6,485.00
13. Water, Light, Janitor Supplies	5,500.00	5,500.00
	23,150.00	24,535.00
Maintenance of School Plant:		
14. Repairs and Replacements	3,500.00	3,500.00
	3,500.00	3,500.00
Auxiliary Activities:		
15. Health Supervision	1,410.77	1,494.00
16. Transportation	8,200.00	8,200.00
17. Tuition	200.00*	
	9,810.77	9,694.00

Fixed Charges:			
19. Retirement	10,279.30	11,612.76	
20. Insurance, Bonds and Expenses	3,915.00	2,629.28	14,242.04
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	14,194.30		
Capital Outlay:			
22. Additions & Improvements to Bldgs.	4,000.00	4,430.00	
23. New Equipment	2,480.00	1,400.00	5,830.00
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	6,480.00		
Other Charges:			
25. Principal of Debt	21,700.00	21,700.00	
26. Interest on Debt	6,603.96	6,152.01	
27. Contingency	3,500.00	3,500.00	31,352.01
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	31,803.96		

	\$255,932.78		\$268,520.55

TOTAL

ESTIMATED INCOME OF DISTRICT:

Balance	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00	
Federal Aid	3,200.00	2,000.00	
Tuition	25,500.00	23,375.00	
Contingency Fund	3,500.00	3,500.00	
State Building Fund		4,200.00	
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Assessment needed March 1955	\$ 32,200.00		\$ 33,075.00
Assessment needed March 1956	223,732.78		235,445.55
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	\$255,932.78		\$268,520.55

*Statutory Obligations

Respectfully submitted,

MARTHA M. ROTCH,
MARIO J. INFANTI,
DAVID A. HOADLEY,
School Board of Milford.

Note: Numbers at the left agree with financial accounting forms approved by State Tax Commission. Omissions indicate that we do not use the omitted columns.

ADMINISTRATION

Superintendent

By Harold C. Bowley

I herewith present my seventeenth Annual Report. Statistics printed on other pages are also a part of this report.

INSTRUCTION

The Elementary grades did not undergo too many changes this past year. Mrs. Stinson left Grade one because of home conditions with Mrs. Barbara Testa Hardy of Keene Teachers' college replacing her and Mrs. Helen Clarke became the additional teacher in Grade four. This completed the occupation of the new building (west wing) with the exception of one room which will become the new fifth grade room next fall.

The secondary grades did not fare so well—several changes had to be made:

Mrs. Center was transferred from the Junior High to High School English.

Miss Phyllis Kanterovitch of Keene Teachers College replaced Mr. Rines in Junior High Math.

Mrs. Audrey Crandall of Lyndeboro and Tufts College became the additional Junior High teacher.

Mr. John Groves of Hudson took the position vacated by Mrs. Center.

Miss Claire Bernier of Plymouth Teachers College became the additional Commerce teacher in the High School.

Miss Carolyn Greene of Keene Teachers College replaced Miss Bushnell in the Home Economics Department.

Mr. Frank Yeaw of Greenfield, Mass. and New England Conservatory of Music replaced Miss Grund in Music.

Mr. John Looney of St. Anselm's replaced Mr. Gagnon in High School Social Studies.

Mrs. Bertha Clark of Milford, and a former teacher here, returned to take Mrs. Doherty's place as Commerce teacher.

Mr. Theodore Lessard of Nashua and North Dakota State University succeeded Mr. Gordon as Guidance Officer.

I am hopeful that these changes will give good results as measured by pupil achievements as these newer members work into the situation and make their influence felt.

I also wish to call your attention to the most successful workshop which has been conducted in this Union. For two days and an evening, the teachers of this area participated in a conference on "Current Events for Teachers," a program which they themselves planned and executed. Principal Rockwell and Mr. DeLacey acted as co-chairmen and the success of the sessions is a tribute to their tireless efforts. As you may know, we had able Consultants from various colleges and other institutions to lead the discussion. A bulletin, giving the recorders' notes, has been published and distributed. This whole subject was a sort of a "pilot" project for the State—it being unique from all the others previously attempted. You can see that I am proud of the staff and feel that the carry-over to everyday teaching will last for a long time to come.

COSTS

A new law, enacted by the last General Court, prescribes the maximum liability of the school district not maintaining a high school as the average per pupil cost of all the high schools in the State or the average cost of the receiving school, whichever is less. Another provision empowers the State Board of Education to estimate these costs on the basis of the previous year's costs. Since those costs for 1956-57 cannot thus be determined accurately until after June 30, 1956, we do not know what these costs may be but the State Office freely predicts that the state High School costs will be \$330 and the elementary \$215 per pupil. I hear predictions from many sources that the rising trend will prevail for quite a while yet.

Another new law provides for approximately 20% state aid for building construction. You will see that an estimate appears under Revenue as your share of this fund for next year. There is no aid on interest payments, just on the Principal.

DEEDS

The big accomplishment was the occupation of the new building and the new Home Economics department. It seems that the change over has been accomplished with a minimum of problems, attesting to the capabilities of the staff to accomplish these ends.

Summer work goes on a pace with the combined efforts of our Janitorial Staff and a few extra helpers under the direction of Mr. Randall. We are trying to keep the buildings in good physical shape with a rather steady plan of redecorating and replacing as the needs become evident. We aim to make our rooms attractive and conducive to learning good habits of care on the part of pupils and to good teaching.

TO COME

Installation of oil burners at the High School would mean more janitorial service for other projects and provide a more even and cleaner heat. I feel certain the stoker could be attached to the Elementary boiler.

CLOSING

“Good teachers do not just happen. They are the product of the highest personal motivation, encouraged and helped in their work by adequate salaries and the respect, support, goodwill of their neighbors. The quality of American teachers has never been better. But the rewards of too many teachers are not commensurate with their work and their role in American life. It is my earnest hope that, along with progress in other aspects of education, the states and communities will give increasing attention to this taproot of all education — good

teachers, and hence good teaching.” This is a quotation from none other than President Eisenhower.

Good schools just don’t happen. They require planning, hard work and adequate finances. Expenditure still is a good criterion of what kind of a school you have.

I am very thankful for the efforts of all my associates including Miss Connolly, the Teachers, the School Board. My contacts with the Community have been very rewarding.

Very respectfully,
HAROLD C. BOWLEY,
Superintendent of Schools.

January 27, 1956

FINANCIAL REPORT — KALEY PRIZE CONTEST
1954-1955

<i>Prize Speaking Contest — Grade X</i>		
Program	\$13 00	
Judges	21 00	
Prizes	70 00	
Officer	4 00	
	-----	\$108 00
<i>Extemporaneous Contest — Grade XII</i>		
Prizes	\$62 00	
Judges	15 00	
	-----	77 00
Bank Charges		1 00

Total Amount Expended, 1954-55		\$186 00
Balance on Hand, July 1954	\$ 36 28	
Plus Receipts	175 00	

	\$211 28	
Less Payments	186 00	

Balance on Hand, July 1955	\$ 25 28	

Our Helping Teacher

By Mabel I. Connolly

Purpose - to Help. The purpose, as previously reported, which underlies the work of the Helping Teacher continues to be the same — to help. Areas where help is needed remain basically the same but vary from time to time in the amount required. Help is available, but to be effective the teachers should desire it. Whenever they seek to improve their methods of instruction or acquire ideas or materials which will aid them in doing a better job then the Helping Teacher attempts to provide such help.

It is through classroom visitations that most needs become apparent and assistance is requested. How is help given? Mostly through individual conferences which follow the classroom visits, through group conferences and participation in teachers' meetings, and sometimes through demonstration teaching. It is hoped that material contained in the monthly *Helping Teacher's Bulletin* also contributes. This includes such items of interest to the teachers in this union as results of surveys, sharing teaching techniques, reviews of professional books and magazine articles, and sources of help. A handbook has been made available to teachers of the first grade. Its purpose is to present a coordinated program and state the general aims and goals of the grade. It should prove helpful to all, but especially those who are beginning.

Often the help that is requested concerns the child directly and has to do with his adjustment and the school program. This may involve giving the child one or more tests to better understand his needs and having conferences with his parents, teachers and others.

Scope of Program. Many phases of the Helping Teacher's program have been described in previous reports. The most important might be listed as follows: scheduling, curriculum development and coordination, testing, guidance, developing meth-

ods of instruction, classroom visitation, pupil grouping, participation in conferences and other meetings, role of counselor, consultant, organizer and resource person. At present this includes working with about 50 teachers and 1400 pupils throughout the union.

Specifics. I would like to report in some detail about a few specific phases of the program.

Pupil grouping as based on the results of the reading readiness tests seems to be paying big dividends. Where this was followed in last year's first grade the progress made in reading was quite accelerated and the second grade teachers this year have noticed a decided increase in reading achievement. It should be noted here that we have a common reading system in this union in which phonics has a definite role. Other subjects which are coordinated on a union-wide basis are language, social studies, and handwriting.

A recent survey of handwriting in grades four, five, six and twelve shows results that may be termed as higher than average. The handwriting system we use starts out as manuscript and by the fourth grade works into the cursive.

Evaluating the children's work and reporting to parents has always been a major problem. This past year a committee made up of parents and teachers developed a new elementary school report card which, with revisions suggested by parents and teachers during a trial run, has been adopted for the time being. Another such committee developed one for the junior-senior high schools. A poll of parents showed a total of 86% in favor of the new junior-senior high school card. Of the 1412 returns in the elementary school poll before revision 60% favored the new card. We agree that no perfect instrument of evaluating and reporting to parents has yet been devised. However, the method used to evolve the cards for Union #40 gave all who participated a better understanding of the problems faced by the pupil, teacher, and parent in their interpretation.

Availability. To be of greatest help your Helping Teacher must be available whenever and wherever needed, and may be directly contacted every morning before 9:30 at the Superintendent's office. After that the contact may be made through the office. Sometimes a problem requires immediate attention, but usually a teacher has a list of questions and needs which are taken care of after the regular classroom visit. One may correctly infer from this that the teacher who asks for the most help receives the most.

My effectiveness may be measured only by the amount of help I am able to give. In this case giving and receiving are integrated, as my efforts would be in vain without the help and cooperation received from the parents, teachers, principals, members of the school boards, and Mr. Bowley. I am very grateful.

Respectfully,

MABEL I. CONNOLLY,

Helping Teacher.

Milford Elementary School

Fred J. Wilkinson, *Principal*

I respectfully submit my second annual report as principal of the Milford Elementary School.

Last September the elementary school opened with a record enrollment - 490 children and 17 teachers. We experienced only 2 staff changes from the previous year. Mrs. Barbara Hardy replaced Mrs. Fay Stinson in Grade 1 and Mrs. Helen Clarke was elected to fill the new fourth grade position. Both have done a fine job this year.

This year saw the new Jacques Memorial School being used by grades 4-8. This new building has made possible many expanded activities at all grade levels: indoor and outdoor physical education, art, music, cafeteria, etc. The discipline of the children is easier because of the enlarged play area. There is sliding, and tobogganing in the winter and all of the fair weather sports during the spring and fall.

THE NEW CAFETERIA

Probably the program that reached directly to so many homes is our hot lunch program. All the meals are served in the new school and children of all ages and grade levels go there to eat. Grade 1 eats at 11:20, grade 2 at 11:25, and grades 3-6 at 11:50. The first and second graders are served individually at their own tables by high school girls; the older children are served cafeteria style.

The elementary school children cross Elm Street under the leadership of Thomas Quinn and Arthur Vanderhayden of Milford High School. Other boys have substituted at various times and have done an equally fine job.

The number of meals served has increased from 163 in September to 208 in December. The kitchen staff, Mrs. O'Neil, Mrs. Osborne, Mrs. Taylor, and Mrs. Theroux, under the direction of Mrs. Moore, are to be congratulated upon their ability to serve all these children good substantial meals under the rigid time schedule which faces them every day. Mr. Crisafulli, our

custodian of the new school, also performs invaluable tasks in helping to keep the cafeteria program running smoothly.

Arithmetic

We tested arithmetic last spring and found that in Milford every single grade was at least 1-8 months above the national average. This speaks well for both teachers and children and shows a good method of arithmetic instruction, including number facts, problems, drill and meaning.

Teachers go to School, too

During the past year, the following teachers have taken courses:

Miss Clarkin, Mrs. Consigili, Miss Gogan, Mrs. Haskell, Mrs. McEntee, Miss McGettigan, Mrs. Phillips, Mrs. Rebidue, Miss Young: Teaching Language Arts in the Elementary School.

Mrs. Barnes: Creative Design (2nd Half of 2nd year)

Mrs. Clarke: Workshop in Remedial Reading

Mrs. Consigli, Mrs. Rebidue: Conservation (given at Lost River)

Mrs. McEntee: Elementary School Arithmetic

Miss Miller: Culture and Social Institutions
Psychology of Exceptional children

Mrs. Phillips: Creative Art
Mathematics in Human Affairs
Social Studies in the Elementary School
Methods
Elementary School Arithmetic

Mr. Wilkinson: The Elementary School Curriculum
Public Relations of Public Schools
Seminar in Elementary School Administration (1st Sem.)
Supervision of the Elementary School

Miss Miller received her Bachelor's Degree at Keene Teachers College in June, 1955.

Field Trips

Children and teachers have again taken many fine field trips in Milford and nearby communities. The library, Cabinet Press, fire station, post office, fish hatchery, nature walks, and the Goyette Museum in Peterboro are a few.

Resource Persons

Using Milford people who are excellent resources in certain areas is a habit with the elementary school. Through their willingness and interest, these people help to bring their experiences to life in the classroom. Some of these people were: Miss Annie Foster, Central America; Mr. Elmer Wheeler, Puerto Rico; Mrs. John Morison, Brazil; Rev. Thomas Savage, Mexico; Mr. Roscoe Coburn, Honduras; Miss Mabel Connolly, Panama; Mrs. Eben Hutton, history of rug making; Mrs. Robert Smith, Christmas decorations in other lands; and Miss Susan Turner, Nature talks.

Conclusion

In conclusion I would like to thank the teachers for their hard work and professional enthusiasm; the school board, Mr. Bowley, and Miss Connolly for their continued leadership; Mr. Tostevin, Mr. Crisafulli, and Mr. Randall for keeping the buildings clean and neat; Mr. Corson for unlimited cooperation; and, to the people of the town of Milford for the various help and assistance they have rendered to the school during the past year.

Milford High School

By George H. Corson, *Principal*

May I, by the way of introduction, say a few words about education in general.

These are very controversial days in education as is evidenced by the almost daily editorials, the numerous magazine articles and books being written concerning such phases of education, as methods of teaching, content of courses, school discipline, etc. When one stops to realize that this business of education, from the local, state and national picture ranks as one of our most costly and most important enterprises, one will also realize that this interest and criticism is justified and if used correctly can be invaluable. We are living in a fast moving progressive world and our education must keep pace. Certainly new methods of teaching and new course content, yes, and new methods of discipline are as important in education today as the jet plane is to the airplane industry, the tubeless tire is to the automobile industry and automatic appliances are to the home. We must progress wisely and cautiously but progress we must. Criticism given in a constructive manner is good but let us not use it to the extent that we suddenly find ourselves operating on a hypocritical philosophy such as is evidenced by this piece of verse written by some unidentified teacher who is apparently torn by conflicting pressures.

Away with your methods progressive!
It's just window-dressing and sham!
When I stray from my text
I get lost and perplexed,
But I'm *Comfortable* as I am!

I'll give you the well-liked quotations
From new pedagogical thought,
But you'll find it absurd
To match action with word,
For I'll teach as I always have taught!

When you ask: "Educational Viewpoint?"
I'll reply with the quotes of today,
But my teaching in school
Goes by grandfather's rule,
And that is the way it will *stay*!

During March of last year, at the completion of the beautiful new Lieutenant Jacques Memorial School the Junior High grades were moved into their new quarters. This enabled your Superintendent and School Board to complete plans for additions and improvements to the high school that have long been dreamed of.

HOME ECONOMICS

We now have a most beautiful and practical Home Economics department consisting of a large room of five unit kitchens, each one, fully equipped. A separate sewing room containing large tables for layout and cutting purposes. Each girl has a separate *tote* box and can have all material in the box from class to class. A smaller all-purpose room is also included.

A second teacher was added to this department a year ago enabling us to offer a very adequate course to all who wish it.

GUIDANCE

The move to the new school also enabled us to house the all important guidance department in a separate and larger room with many increased facilities.

LIBRARY

We now have a much-needed library study hall. A beginning has been made in the purchasing of adequate books and periodicals so that our pupils will have access to adequate research materials.

ENGLISH

An additional teacher has been added to this department enabling us to have smaller classes in this all important subject. Classes without study halls behind them.

COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT

With the increased room we were able to add a much needed second teacher to this department. New equipment has been added such as adding machines, calculators, and new typewriters. We now can train our commercial pupils to the point where they can compete for jobs with girls trained in the larger schools in our area.

ATHLETICS

With the continued income from the O'Connor Fund we are able to carry on an excellent athletic program at Milford High School. Our teams are fully equipped, well-outfitted with uniforms and travel safely in public vehicles. They continue to represent our school with true sportsmanship.

The utility room at the new school has enabled us to broaden the Junior High School program to the extent that we now have boys and girls practicing basketball regularly.

IN BRIEF

All other phases of our work are progressing in a normal manner.

Music under a new instructor is once again of high caliber.

Shop work at M. H. S. was highly commended by the state supervisor at a recent inspection.

Our *Language* department in its new quarters in the annex continues to adequately prepare our pupils for college entrance.

The Social Studies department is ably named and we have added a new course this year namely: "Problems of Democracy."

The *Math* and Science departments are growing even larger in class sizes as the importance of these subjects, for the kind of world we live in, becomes more and more apparent.

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

The Junior High School is now a separate unit in almost all respects. The pupils in Grades 7 and 8 have formed their own student council, they have their own assembly programs and canteens. This arrangement at this age level seems to alleviate some of the school and home problems that existed before especially in the social programs.

GRADUATES

Our graduates continue to successfully enter employment and institutions of higher learning. Their success is continually brought to our attention by numerous commendations from various and sundry schools, colleges and business establishments.

APPRECIATIONS:

Once again we wish to thank all the organizations and individuals who have continued their support of our school and our pupils.

We, the pupils and faculty, wish to thank the tax payers of Milford for the fine housing and equipment in which we live and work. I wish to thank those who are more closely associated with me for the fine cooperation we received during this past year. Mr. Bowley, the School Board, Mr. Randall, Mr. Forsyth, and Mr. Crisafulli.

In closing may I say to all parents that there is an excellent high school education awaiting your boy or girl at Milford High School. Its pre-requisites are willingness to work proper attitude toward school and parental cooperation and initiative.

Our Teachers

Teacher and Grade or Subject (1955-56)

	Experience Here	Total Experience
Ashley, Rowe — Junior High	2	2
Barnes, Emma B. (Mrs.) — Grade I	31	37
Bernier, Claire — Commercial	1	1
Byrne, Sarah — English	5	5
Camp, Raymond — Shop	10	25
Canfield, Herbert — Mathematics	5	33½
Center, Margaret — English	2	2
Clark, Bertha (Mrs.) — Commercial	5	6
Clarke, Helen (Mrs.) — Grade IV	1	14
Clarkin, Kathryn — Grade VI	35	37½
Consigli, Violet (Mrs.) — Grade IV	5	10
Corson, George H. — Prin. - High School	3¾	19
Crandall, Audrey (Mrs.) — Junior High	1	2
Fisher, Marion (Mrs.) — Grade III	2	7
Fleming, Natalie (Mrs.) — Art	2	10
Gay, Clarence — Shop and Driver Training	3	5
Gogan, Katherine — Grade V	25	32
Greene, Carolyn — Home Economics	1	1
Grenier, Theresa — Physical Education	2	2
Groves, John — Junior High	1	2
Hardy, Barbara (Mrs.) — Grade I	1	1
Haskell, Dorothy (Mrs.) — Grade IV	5	15
Hood, Lyle — Grade II	3	27
Jenkins, William — Junior High	2	2
Joslin, Pauline (Mrs.) — Grade II	2	16
Kanterovitch, Phyllis — Mathematics	1	1
Langley, Florence — Home Economics	19	28
Looney, John — Social Studies	1	1
McEntee, Margaret (Mrs.) — Grade III	3	3
McGettigan, Mary C. — Grade V	26	32½
Miller, Beatrice L. — Grade II	27	29
Mitkus, Alge P. — English	2	2
O'Neil, Robert — Shop	11	28
Phillips, Jenness (Mrs.) — Grade II	2	15½
Pickering, Louise (Mrs.) — Grade I	3	10
Rebidue, Doris (Mrs.) — Grade VI	8	14
Reed, Everett — Science	2	2
Soffin, Gordon — Physical Education	2	2½

Stephens, Edna — Languages	2	26
Tonella, Hazel (Mrs.) — Social Studies	13	17
Wheeler, Elsie F. — Music	22	24
Wilkinson, Fred J. — Prin. - Elementary School	2	4½
Yeaw, Frank — Music	1	1
Young, Muriel — Grade III	36	37

MHS GRADUATES — 1955

Harry Allen Bartlett	Ellen Ruth Koivula
Charlene Ann Bernasconi	Pamela Steele Langdell
Judith Bernasconi	Donald Edward Laurence
Herbert William Brockner	Charles H. Levesque
Richard R. Camp	Jane Eva Lorden*
Winston H. Carpentiere*	William Eugene McGee
Carl Clayton Chase	Marilyn G. Merrill*
Eugene Ciardelli	Frances Catherine Nicolari
Sandra Carol Coburn	Jean Claire Odell
Priscilla Ann Conrey	Gerald O'Neil
Valerie Anne Consigli*	Fletcher Parker
Natalie Jon Conti	Edmund W. Poor
Richard Donald D'Amato*	Shirley Jane Pratt
Preston H. Davis	Joan Rand*
Mary Ruth Dillon	Cynthia Edna Richardson
Penelope G. Dunbar	Richard Robbins
Lorna Dutton	Blanche Rose Roy
Marcia Ann Erikson	Alice Lorreta Sliney
Janet Marion Ethridge	David John Sliney
Victor Henry Falcetti	Cynthia Smith
Virginia Agnes Ferguson	Rebekah Mary Stenke
Ross Gangloff	Newton S. Stockwell
Philip Douglas Germino	Carole Nora Thompson*
Stephen M. Gilson	William C. Trentini*
Harriet Ann Hames*	Frederick M. Vatcher
Ann Marie Hauser	David William Walker
David Francis Hawkins	Norman Bruce Watts
Barbara Herlihy	Evelyn Wexler
Frederick Hiltz*	Elizabeth Ann Whitten
Janet Howe	Forrest H. Wright
Dorothy H. Jenks	*Top Ten Seniors

Perfect Attendance

Five Years: Herbert Adams, Priscilla Conrey, Richard D'Amato.

Four Years: Marilyn Townsend, Jacqueline Wheeler.

Three Years: Herbert Brockner, Verna Burgeson, Janice Erikson, Lloyd MacNeil, David Paro, Patricia Puckett, William Richardson.

Two Years: William Conrey, Jr., Michael Cullinan, Janet Johnston, Robert Odell, Martha Proctor, Carl Rizzi, Mary Vanetti, James Wetherbee, Kenneth Wheeler, Elizabeth Whitten, Daniel Webster.

SCHOOL YEAR — 1954-1955

High School: Herbert Brockner, Priscilla Conrey, Jean Odell, Elizabeth Whitten, Verna Burgeson, Mary Durant, Janice Erikson, Carol A. Krush, Gerald Gaidmore Ethelyn Grant, Janet Johnston, Carl Rizzi, Kenneth Wheeler, Roger Wilson.

Junior High: Herbert Adams, Janet Brown, Michael Cullinan, John Hopkins, Bonnie Billings, William Conrey, Jr., Maxine Mitchell, William Nilsen, Raymond Regan, Martha Proctor, William Richardson, Marilyn Townsend, Daniel Webster.

Grade VI: Michael Broderick, John Griffiths, Robert Odell, Raymond Plante, Roland Theroux, Mary Vanetti, Jacqueline Wheeler.

Grade V: Charles Levesque, Lloyd MacNeil, David Paro, Patricia Puckett, Francis Willand.

Grade IV: Roland Brodeur, William Levesque, James Wetherbee.

Grade III: Richard Ashford, Joseph Bills, Russell White.

Grade II: David Carlson, Gregory Gurley, Russell Merrill.

Grade I: Kent Chappell.

SCHOOL CENSUS

Mrs. Hazel Adams, *Enumerator*

<i>Age as of Sept. 1, 1955</i>	<i>No. of Children</i>			<i>No. Attending Public Schools</i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>Boys</i>	<i>Girls</i>		
Under 1	82	47	35	
1	91	48	43	
2	90	44	46	
3	88	45	43	
4	101	56	45	
5	85	42	43	26
6	91	49	42	91
7	67	40	27	67
8	112	58	54	111
9	85	48	37	85
10	48	28	20	47
11	70	33	37	70
12	77	34	43	77
13	63	31	32	63
14	70	42	28	66
15	53	26	27	50
16	54	18	36	48
17	50	21	29	28
18	46	25	21	9
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Total	1423	735	688	838

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1955-1956

Begin	Close
Wed., September 7, 1955	Wed., December 21, 1955
Tuesday, January 3, 1956	Friday, February 17, 1956
Monday, February 27, 1956	Friday, April 20, 1956
Monday, April 30, 1956	Approximately, June 13, 1956

Holidays:

October 13-14 — Teachers' Convention

November 24-25 — Thanksgiving

School closes at 12:15, November 23, 1955

May 30 — Memorial Day

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1956-1957

Begin	Close
Wednesday, September 5, 1956	Friday, December 21, 1956
Wednesday, January 2, 1957	Friday, February 15, 1957
Monday, February 24, 1957	Friday, April 19, 1957
Monday, April 29, 1957	Approximately, June 11, 1957

Holidays:

October 18-19 — Teachers' Convention

November 22 and 23 — Thanksgiving

School closes at 12:15, November 21, 1956

May 30 — Memorial Day

REPORT OF HEALTH SUPERVISION 1954-55

Dr. Oscar Burns, Examiner
(Mrs.) Virginia Gill, R. N.

The total number of children examined: 844

The following defects, treatments and corrections were reported:

	<i>Defects</i>	<i>Pupils Receiving Treatment</i>
Defective Vision	37	29
Defective Hearing	7	3
Defective Skin	1	1
Diseased Tonsils and Adenoids	24	13
Defective Teeth	73	49
Defective Glands	2	
Cardiac Disease	7	7
Orthopedic	59	21
Defective Posture	10	2

Parents were informed of all the above cases.

Diseases Reported:

Chicken Pox	4
Measles	45
Whooping Cough	14
Pediculosis	13
Mumps	170
Impetigo	1

GENERAL STATISTICS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1954-1955

Number of different pupils registered during year:

Boys 479; Girls 488	967
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Enrollment by Grades:

I-92; II-106; III-85; IV-62; V-68; VI-73; VII-90; VIII-83; IX-94; X-73; XI-78; XII-63	967
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Number of non-resident pupils in High School	100
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Number of non-resident pupils in Elementary School	19
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Average membership in High School (Grades 9-12)	286.3
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Per Cent of Attendance in Grades 9-12	94.3
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Average membership in Grades 1-8	623.3
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Per Cent of attendance in Grades 1-8	91.6
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Number not absent or tardy during year	49
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Number of sessions in all schools	354
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Number of School Board Meetings	12
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Number of visits made by Superintendent	60
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Number of visits made by Helping Teacher	470
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Teaching Positions: Junior High and High — 25

Elementary — 18; Part-time Teachers — 3

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

(For the Fiscal Year July 1, 1954 to June 30, 1955)

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$206,743 63
TOTAL PAYMENTS	\$206,743 20

Cash Balance June 30, 1955	\$	43
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Receipts

Federal Aid:

Smith-Hughes and George-Barden	\$2511 44	
National School Lunch and Special Milk	2211 77	
	-----	\$ 4,723 21

State Aid:

Foundation Aid		478 99
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Local Taxation:

Current Appropriation	\$175,146 76	
Advance on Next Year's Appropriation	1,480 00	
	-----	176,626 76

Other Sources:

Elementary School Tuitions	\$ 2,857 50	
Secondary School Tuitions	21,362 00	
Other Income	689 90	
	-----	24,909 40

Total Receipts from All Sources	\$206,738 36
Cash on Hand, July 1, 1954	5 27

GRAND TOTAL	\$206,743 63
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Payments

(Note: Expenditures for Grades VII and VIII, housed in the High School Building, are, for the purpose of administration considered as Elementary Costs.)

ADMINISTRATION:

1. Salaries of District Officers:

Owen P. Fisk, School Board	\$100 00
Mario J. Infanti, School Board	100 00
Martha M. Rotch, School Board	100 00
David Deans, Jr., Moderator	5 00
Maurice G. Jewett, Treasurer	100 00
A. Wallace Wilkins, Clerk	5 00
Leonard S. Lorden, Auditor	5 00
Paul C. Rizzi, Auditor	5 00
	----- \$ 420 00

2. Superintendent's Salary (Local Share):

Treasurer, Supervisory Union No. 40	2,124 20
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3. Tax for State-Wide Supervision:

State Treasurer, \$2 per Capita Tax	1,572 00
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4. Salaries of Other Administrative Personnel:

Hazel Adams, census enumerator	\$ 100 00
Arthur Tostevin, truant officer	50 00
Treasurer, Supervisory Union No. 40,	
Office Clerk and Helping Teacher	2,236 00
Charlene Bernasconi Office Clerk,	
High School	12 32
	----- 2,398 32

5. Supplies and Expenses:

Treasurer, Supervisory Union No. 40,	
Office Expenses and Travel	\$1,319 24
Conference Expenses, Printing,	
Advertising, Etc.	310 55
	----- 1,629 79

INSTRUCTION:

6. Principals' and Teachers' Salaries:

Rowe Ashley	\$2,900 00
Emma Barnes	3,125 00
Dorothy Bushnell	2,850 00
Sarah F. Byrne	2,925 00
Raymond Camp	3,400 00
Herbert Canfield	3,425 00
Margaret Center	2,700 00
Kathryn Clarkin	3,125 00
Violet Consigli	2,900 00
Geroge H. Corson	5,100 00
Virginia Doherty	3,000 00
Marion Fisher	2,900 00
Natalie Fleming	2,200 00
Normand Gagnon	3,100 00
Clarence Gay	3,300 00
Katherine Gogan	3,125 00
Clifton Gordon	3,125 00
Theresa Grenier	2,700 00
Barbara Grund	2,900 00
Dorothy Haskell	3,082 00
Lyle Hood	3,125 00
William Jenkins	2,746 00
Pauline Joslin	3,000 00
Florence Langley	3,350 00
Margaret McEntee	2,800 00
Mary McGettigan	3,225 00
Beatrice L. Miller	3,225 00
Alge Mitkus	3,100 00
Robert O'Neil	3,400 00
Jenness Phillips	3,100 00
Louise Pickering	2,925 00
Doris Rebidue	3,225 00
Everett Reed	3,000 00
Philip Rines	3,169 00
Gordon Soffin	3,400 00
Edna Stephens	3,400 00

Fay Stinson	2,542 50	
Hazel Tonella	3,225 00	
Elsie F. Wheeler	1,150 00	
Fred Wilkinson	3,600 00	
Muriel Young	3,125 00	
Substitutes	722 70	
	-----	*126,437 20

*This amount includes deductions for:

Blue Cross and Blue Shield	\$ 1,368 90	
Income Tax	13,316 84	
Insurance	1,071 39	
Retirement	9,045 15	
High \$50,640.15; Elementary \$75,797.05		

7. Books and Other Instructional Aids:

High School	\$1333 05	
Elementary	1943 33	
	-----	3,276 38

8. Scholars' Supplies:

(Consumed as Used)

High School	\$2679 09	
Elementary	2432 55	
	-----	5,111 64

10. Other Expenses of Instruction:

(Repair and replacement of maps, reference books, etc.)

High School	\$646 05	
Elementary	471 89	
	-----	1,117 94

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT:

11. Janitors' Salaries:

Earle L. Randall, High School janitor	\$2900 00	
Arthur Tostevin, Elementary janitor	2750 00	
John Forsyth, High School janitor	2600 00	
Special Officers	76 40	
	-----	8,326 40

<i>12. Fuel or Heat</i>		
High School	\$1546 72	
Elementary	2322 59	
	-----	3,869 31

<i>13. Water, Light, Janitor Supplies and Expenses:</i>		
(Water, lights, building and Janitor supplies which are consumed in using)		
High School	\$3017 04	
Elementary	1990 63	
	-----	5,007 67

<i>14. Repairs and Replacements:</i>		
(Repairs to stoker, floors, plumbing, lighting, machines, typewriters, clocks — replacements of windows, light bulbs, machine belts, etc.		
High School	\$1663 45	
Elementary	1271 86	
	-----	2,935 31

AUXILIARY AGENCIES AND SPECIAL ACTIVITIES:

<i>15. Health Supervision:</i>		
(a) Salaries		
Oscar Burns, M.D.	\$ 200 00	
Souhegan Nursing Association	1015 00	
	-----	1,215 00
(b) Supplies and expenses		66 30

<i>16. Transportation:</i>		
Harris Daniels	\$3000 00	
Maurice L. Daniels	1400 00	
Draper Transportation Co.	3300 00	
	-----	7,700 00

<i>18. Special Activities and Funds:</i>		
Ethel S. Moore, lunch supervisor		2,211 77

19. *Retirement:*

Teachers' Retirement System	\$8380 07	
Employees' Retirement System	410 86	
Treasurer, Supervisory Union No. 40, Superintendent's Retirement	245 96	
	-----	9,036 89

20. *Insurance:*

(a) Treasurer's Bond	\$ 15 00	
(b) Insurance	2583 44	
(c) Lucien K. Fortier, Treas.	750 00	
(d) Charles Brown	232 50	
(e) Lawrence Dorval	4 00	
	-----	3,584 94

CAPITAL OUTLAY:

21. *Lands and New Buildings:*

Building Account	769 83
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22. *Additions and Improvements to Buildings:*

(Repairs and alterations of more permanent nature to increase value and efficiency of the property, such as redecoration, roof repairs)	4,007 90
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23. *New Equipment:*

New Hampshire Fence Co., fence	\$ 185 00	
Paris Manufacturing Co., desks & chairs	2158 12	
Philip Morris Co., lockers	322 20	
The Mansfield Paper Co., floor machine	223 00	
	-----	2,888 32
Other		269 96

DEBT AND INTEREST:

25. *Principal of Debt:*

Souhegan National Bank	6,700 00
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26. *Interest on Debt:*

Souhegan National Bank	\$1239 13	
Rockland-Atlas National Bank of Boston	2827 00	
	-----	4,066 13

TOTAL PAYMENTS	\$206,743 20
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Balance Sheet

JUNE 30, 1955

Assets

Cash on Hand, June 30, 1955	\$	43	
Net Debt (Excess of Liabilities over Assets)		323,279 57	
TOTAL		-----	\$323,280 00

Liabilities

Advance on 1955-1956 Appropriation	\$	1,480 00	
Notes and Bonds Outstanding**		321,800 00	
TOTAL		-----	\$323,280 00

MARTHA M. ROTCH,
MARIO J. INFANTI,
DAVID A. HOADLEY,
School Board.

HAROLD C. BOWLEY, *Superintendent*
July 6, 1955

**INDEBTEDNESS, JUNE 30, 1955:

Garage Property, Cottage Street	\$	2,800 00	
Annex to High School		62,000 00	
New Jacques Memorial School		257,000 00	

			\$321,800 00

School Treasurer

(For the Fiscal Year July 1, 1954 to June 30, 1955)

MAURICE G. JEWETT, Treasurer,

In account with the School District of Milford
Dr.

Balance as per last report	\$	5 27
Board of Selectmen:		
Appropriation as of March 1954		175,146 76
Advance on next year's appropriation		1,480 00
From Federal Aid:		
National School Lunch		4,723 21
Smith-Hughes and George-Barden		478 99
From Other Sources:		
Elementary Tuitions		2,857 50
Secondary Tuitions		21,362 00
Other Receipts		689 90
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	\$	206,743 63

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Payments on order of School Board	\$	206,743 20
Cash on Hand, June 30, 1955		43
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	\$	206,743 63

Auditors' Report

(Required by the State Board of Education from
all State Aided Districts)

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements, and other financial records of the School Board and Treasurer of the School District of Milford, New Hampshire, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, and find them correct in all respects.

LEONARD S. LORDEN,
PAUL C. RIZZI,

Auditors.

Abstract

NOTIFICATION OF SCHOOL ASSESSMENT, 1955

Expenditures

Current Expenditures	\$221,148 82
Capital Outlay	
New equipment	2,480 00
Additions and Improvements	4,000 00
Debt and Interest	28,303 96
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	----- \$255,932 78

Receipts

Federal Aid (Estimate)	\$ 3,200 00
State Aid, Dec. 1955 Allotment (Est.)	5,000 00
Tuition (Est.)	25,500 00
Other Receipts (Est.)	3,500 00
Assessment Required to Meet School	
District Appropriation	218,732 78**
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	----- \$255,932 78

**Changed to \$223,732.78 by State Tax Commission to make up for loss of State Aid of \$5,000.00.

I certify that the above is a correct statement of the obligations authorized, and the amounts to be assessed to meet statutory requirements and appropriations made at the annual meeting of the Milford School District held March 5, 1955.

A. WALLACE WILKINS,

Clerk of the School District.

Insurance Coverage

1-Story Brick Elementary School — Jacques School	\$150,000 00
2-Story Brick High School	160,000 00
2-Story Brick Elementary School	80,000 00
1-Story Frame Laurel School Building	2,500 00
Contents — all buildings	40,000 00

TOTAL	\$432,500 00

SALARIES — 1954-55

a. Superintendent:

State's Share		\$2500 00
Local Share:		
Amherst	\$ 661 20	
Brookline	235 60	
Hollis	600 40	
Milford	2124 20	
Mont Vernon	178 60	
	-----	3800 00

		\$6300 00

b. Helping Teacher

State's Share		\$2500 00
Local Share:		
Amherst	\$295 80	
Brookline	105 40	
Hollis	268 60	
Milford	950 30	
Mont Vernon	79 90	
	-----	1700 00

		\$4200 00

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 82 of the Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

MARTHA M. ROTCH,
MARIO J. INFANTI,
DAVID A. HOADLEY,
School Board.

School Meeting

SYNOPSIS OF MILFORD SCHOOL MEETING MARCH 5, 1955

Agreeably to the foregoing warrant the voters of the School District of Milford assembled at the Town Hall and at 8 o'clock P. M. were called to order by the Moderator, David Deans, Jr.

After reading the Warrant, the Moderator called upon Rev. Harold W. Holder of the Episcopal Church who offered prayer.

Article 1. David Deans, Jr., was re-elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

Article 2. A. Wallace Wilkins was re-elected Clerk for the ensuing year.

Article 3. David A. Hoadley and Lawrence E. Billings were nominated to serve as a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years. The Moderator named Hugo Trentini, Keeley Smith and Salvatore Grasso to act as Tellers, and the meeting proceeded to elect by ballot. Result of ballot: whole number of votes cast, 98; necessary for choice, 50. Of these there were three scattering, Lawrence Billings had 35 and David A. Hoadley had 60, and the Moderator declared David A. Hoadley elected a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

Article 4. Maurice G. Jewett was re-elected Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Article 5. On motion of Martha M. Rotch, it was voted that this article be laid on the table and brought up and discussed with Article 6.

Article 6. On motion of Mr. Infanti, it was voted that the report of the Building Committee as printed in the Town Report be accepted.

On motion of Mr. Fisk, it was voted that the printed reports of all agents and auditors and committees or officers be accepted.

Article 7. On motion of Mr. Infanti, it was voted that the auditors elected by the town serve as auditors for the School District.

Article 8. On motion of Mr. Fisk, it was voted that the district raise and appropriate \$255,932.78 for the support of schools, for the salaries of School District officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District, and to authorize the appli-

eation against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state foundation and fund together with other income; the School Board to certify to the Selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town. Declared by Moderator to be a unanimous Yes vote.

Article 9. On motion of Joseph Silva, the following resolution was unanimously adopted. "Be it resolved that the new school building now being erected on the upper field of Endicott Park be named upon completion 'The Lt. Leon J. Jacques, Jr., Memorial School.'"

Caesar R. Falsani, speaking in behalf of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars, offered to provide a suitable plaque to be placed on the new school building in honor of the memory of Lt. Leon J. Jacques, Jr.

Mr. David Deans, Jr., then in a few well chosen words, gave a very fitting tribute to the memory of Lt. Leon J. Jacques, Jr.

Article 10. On motion of Joseph Silva, it was voted that the next Annual School Meeting be held on Saturday evening next preceding Town Meeting in the Town Hall at 8 o'clock P. M.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

A. WALLACE WILKINS, Clerk.

Report of Building Committee

Total amount available \$259,980 53

Amount Expended:

Total cost of construction	\$224,987 26
Architects' fee	13,314 70
Sewer construction	1,091 76
Sidewalk	434 00
Fence	965 45
Road, grading, seeding	2,611 76
Furnishings	16,082 35
Building in process insurance	481 25
Treasurer's bond	12 00
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Final construction has been completed on the Lt. Leon J. Jacques Memorial School. The building has been occupied by the pupils of grades four through eight since May, 1955.

It is hoped that sufficient funds will be available for the purchase of shrubs to complete the landscaping.

THE BUILDING COMMITTEE,
MARIO J. INFANTI, *Chairman*
MALCOLM M. CARTER
MRS. GEORGE F. NELSON
HAROLD S. REMICK
MISS MURIEL B. YOUNG
HARRY K. DRAPER
RAYMOND POLLOCK
MILFORD SCHOOL BOARD

